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## Here in HONDO

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Fruits and candies of all kinds. at  
CARLE'S CONFECTIONERY. 17  
WANTED—Shelled corn, white or  
yellow. Will pay \$1.00 per bushel.  
EARL WATSON, Hondo.

LeGear Poultry Prescription will  
bring more eggs for the market. At  
WINDROW DRUG STORE.

FOR SALE—Small stock farm  
near town. Easy payments. Apply  
at Anvil Herald office, Phone 127.

Mrs. Don Windrow and little  
daughter of Leakey are visiting Mrs.  
Walter Bendele and other relatives  
here.

Melville Smith returned to Corpus  
Christi Tuesday after a brief visit  
with his parents, Dr. and Mrs.  
W. H. Smith.

GOOD CLEANING DOESN'T  
COST—IT PAYS—PHONE 125—  
HORACE CROW—MODEL  
CLEANERS.

The L. F. Rothe family had word  
from their son, Homer, of the U. S.  
Marine Corps, that he has been trans-  
ferred to Puerto Rico.

WANTED—LOT, must have gas  
and water. Reasonable. See  
A. CONTIE at Chas. Rogers' resi-  
dence, Hondo, Texas. 1tpd

Pat-rize the NEW FAVORITE  
SAFE. We serve regular meals.  
Hot orders and cold drinks. You'll  
like our food and service. 1f

FOR SALE—Nine head of good  
yearling cows. Six milking. Price rang-  
ing from \$100 on imported ones. C. S.  
PAGES, LaCoste, Texas. 2tpd

Miss Lenora Mann of Corpus  
Christi joins our growing list of new  
subscribers. She is the daughter of  
Mr. and Mrs. Desra Mann of Hondo.

For Sale, a 48-bass chromatic  
Italian Accordion in A-1 condition,  
priced at \$55.00. Apply to Wm.  
Bagenbald, Route A, Box 106, Hon-  
do, Texas. 3tpd.

Mrs. K. B. Schilling and daughter,  
Hilkey, and mother, Mrs. Ed de  
Hemel, returned to San Antonio  
Tuesday after spending several days  
here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Mitchel of Victo-  
ria and Misses Ophelia and Bess  
Mitchel of San Antonio were holiday-  
guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Laake  
and daughter, Kay.

FOR RENT—40-acre field, good  
farm house, barns, and other con-  
veniences. For terms and further  
particulars see L. J. SCHMIDT, own-  
er, Hondo, Texas. 2tc

H. E. HAASS, Attorney-at-Law,  
office at residence, Hondo, Texas.  
All legal matters carefully attended  
to in all courts of Texas. Manager  
Medina County Abstract Company.

FOR SALE—Hereford bulls, reg-  
istered, and high grade, yearling  
and year-olts, horned and polled; al-  
so a bunch of Hereford heifers. JOE  
E. BADGER, Castroville, Texas. 4tc

Friends here have learned of the  
death on December 1, 1942, of a son  
of Rev. and Mrs. M. A. Falkenberg,  
Corpus Christi. The baby has  
been named Howard Davis Falken-  
berg.

Misses Mary Octavia and Lucy  
Audine Davis left Sunday for San  
Antonio and Nordheim respectively  
after spending the holidays here with  
their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher  
Davis.

Oscar Sauter, who was inducted  
into the army several weeks ago, is  
stationed at Camp Barkley, Abilene,  
Texas. He has been in the hospital  
there for two weeks, ill with flu and  
black injury.

Miss Betty Jean Merriman, Martin  
Loman and Clinton Grell returned  
to Austin Monday to resume their  
studies at the University of Texas  
after spending the holidays with  
their respective families.

Miss Alice Graff and James Graff  
were among the younger members  
of the Graff family to kill their deer  
during the season just closed. Alice  
killed a six-point buck and James  
killed his first buck the last day of the  
hunting season.

Miss Lyla Strawn has written  
word that she has joined the  
WAVES and reported for training in  
Alhambra City a few days before  
Christmas. Miss Strawn graduated  
from Hondo High School in 1932.  
For the past several years has  
lived with her brothers in Los An-  
geles, California.

Jimmy Smith, son of Dr. and Mrs.  
W. H. Smith, graduated Saturday  
as a bombardier from the Albuquer-  
que, New Mexico, Flying School,  
and received his commission as a  
second lieutenant. Lt. Smith has  
been chosen to study navigation and  
his parents are hopeful that he will  
be sent to AAF Navigation School  
here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Mechler re-  
ceived word that their son, Lt. Floyd  
Mechler, is in Walter Reed Hospital,  
Washington, D. C., where he has to  
undergo medical treatment for sev-  
eral weeks for a stomach ailment.  
His condition is somewhat improved  
and latest word from him. Lt. Mech-  
ler is stationed at Fort Belvoir, Va.,  
near Washington.

### IN ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION BUSINESS

An epoch-making event in Hondo's history took place on Wednesday of last week when title to the electric power distribution system supplying the town with electric current passed from its former owners into the ownership of the municipality. With the ownership, of course, passed the management and the city is now managing an eighty-one thousand dollar business.

In acquiring ownership of the system the town incurs a debt of \$81,000.00. Interest and amortization funds to meet the interest as accrued and eventually pay off the bonds will come out of the earnings of the system and, insofar as the interest is concerned, will amount to the same thing as the profits the former owners have been taking out of the business. Of course, when the bonds are liquidated and interest payments automatically stop the equity of the property will vest wholly in the municipality and its earnings become the town's instead of the bondholders.

Arrangements were made to retain the same office and the same office personnel that has had charge of the system under the former ownership, Mr. W. F. Gaudian, manager for the past several years continuing in that capacity. The current will come to us over the same power lines and from the same source that has been supplying it, and it is not anticipated that the users of current in the system will notice any material change in the quality and cost in the service they are receiving.

Hondo came into possession of the system involving a three-way deal in the dissolution of the San Antonio Public Service Co., a detailed report of which transaction is herewith copied from the San Antonio Express of Thursday, December 31, 1942:

"Purchase of electric distribution systems in Boerne and Hondo by the two cities was completed Wednesday in the offices of Dewar, Robertson and Panoast, when revenue bonds, running 20 years, were delivered to Mayor Max H. Theis and John Kutzler, city secretary of Boerne; and Mayor John A. Horger and Frank X. Vance, city attorney of Hondo. Price of the Boerne system was \$75,000 and of the Hondo system \$81,000.

"Both cities will continue to get electricity from the San Antonio Public Service Board. Wednesday's purchase, following the recent acquisition of its distribution system by the City of New Braunfels is for the last of three properties exempted from San Antonio's purchase of the San Antonio Public Service system which were not included because of the question whether one municipal board could operate a utility in another municipality.

"Immediately following the dissolution of the San Antonio Public Service Co., its properties were disposed of by deeds executed by the last president and members of the last board of directors of the company acting as trustees in dissolution of the company. All of the property was conveyed by three separate deeds as follows:

(1) Deed to Guadalupe Electric Co. conveying the distribution properties serving the towns of Hondo, Boerne and New Braunfels and certain suburban areas thereto.

(2) Deed to San Antonio Traction Co. conveying the bus transportation properties.

(3) Deed to the City of San Antonio conveying the electric and gas properties and all of the other assets of the San Antonio Public Service Co., including cash on hand and in banks, contracts, choses in action etc.

"The Guadalupe Electric Co. referred to was set up to hold ownership of the properties until they could be disposed of. It is not the same as the Guadalupe-Blanco Authority which is a state-created agency.

"All of the above deeds were dated Oct. 24, 1942, and were delivered on that date. The consideration for the conveyance to Guadalupe Electric Co. was \$406,000, and the consideration for the conveyance to San Antonio Traction Co. was \$1,140,099. The total of these two items, 1,546,099 was placed by the trustees in the same special fund in the Alamo National Bank in which the proceeds received from the sale of the \$33,900,000 of revenue were placed and against this fund were charged the disbursements made in connection with the purchase of the common stock of San Antonio Public Service Co. in the amount of 10,000,000 in payment of the company's first mortgage bonds in the amount of approximately \$18,000,000 and the retiring of the company's preferred stock in the approximate amount of \$5,000,000 in the payments of the company's bank loan notes aggregating approximately \$1,600,000 and in the payment of the fee to the investment bankers who acted as fiscal agents for the city, in the amount of approximately \$500,000, and in the payment of various other expenses, including fees of the various trustees, including the trustee under the indenture, the trustee under the company's first mortgage bonds and the fees of the Alamo National Bank in connection with the closing and in payment for its services in connection with the redemption of the preferred stock of company. After all of these pay-

### ALL-DISTRICT FOOTBALL TEAM CHOSEN BY COACHES

As is the annual custom, following the close of the football season, the high school football coaches in District 37 A voted to select the players for the All-District Teams. A first and a second team were picked, two points counting for each team vote and one point for second team vote, according to an announcement on Jan. 4 by Mr. H. C. Richards, Superintendent of Hondo Schools.

The Hondo Owls, regional champions for 1942, are well represented on the first All-District Team with four players, and with one player on the second team.

The coaches voted Stanley Hollmig, co-captain of the Hondo Owls as the outstanding player in District 37 A. Unanimous choices were Hollmig and Graff, both of Hondo.

The following boys were selected on the two teams:

First Team  
R. Groff, Hondo ..... End  
E. Pichot, Uvalde ..... End  
F. Graff, Hondo ..... Tackle  
J. May, Uvalde ..... Tackle  
C. Kappelman, Del Rio ..... Guard  
S. Gomez, Carrizo Springs ..... Guard  
W. J. Williams, Hondo ..... Center  
S. Hollmig, Hondo ..... Back  
C. Lightsey, Pearsall ..... Back  
D. Eldred, Uvalde ..... Back  
E. Tumlinson, Carrizo Springs, Back

Second Team  
L. Brice, Uvalde ..... End  
F. Caballero, Eagle Pass ..... End  
R. Brantley, Devine ..... Tackle  
R. Masters, Eagle Pass ..... Tackle  
H. Smith, Uvalde ..... Guard  
G. Lyall, Eagle Pass ..... Guard  
N. Reed, Pearsall ..... Center  
G. Mabe, Eagle Pass ..... Back  
T. Ney, Hondo ..... Back  
M. Cartwright, Carrizo Springs, Back  
R. Harrington, Pearsall ..... Back

ments were made, the balance was turned over to the Board of Trustees appointed under the indenture to manage the gas and electric properties.

Following is a condensation of the deed of transfer from the Guadalupe Electric Company to the City of Hondo:

The Guadalupe Electric Company, a Texas corporation, for and in consideration of ten dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, has granted, sold, assigned, conveyed and delivered unto the City of Hondo, Texas, a municipal corporation, the electric distribution properties, automotive equipment, tools, furnishings and personal property described as follows:

**Electric Distribution System**  
All of distribution properties heretofore owned by San Antonio Public Service Company comprising 13,000 volt and 2,400 volt primary pole lines and circuits and appurtenant secondary pole lines and circuits, conduits, cables, wires, distribution transformers, services, meters and street lighting systems in the City of Hondo, and adjacent territory including in the following bounds:

The new city limits of City of Hondo, and in addition thereto: (1) the pole line extending 4 spans from the 66,000 volt Hondo High Line Substation to the city limits, 360' south of old D'Hanis Road, (2) an extension eastward of approximately 17 spans, principally on U. S. Highway No. 90 serving Dr. W. H. Smith, (3) an extension westward along Taylor Road and Batot Lane, approximately 51 spans, serving rural customers including W. C. Scott and Henry and Hugo Batot.

**Automotive Equipment**  
The following automotive equipment and trailer heretofore owned and used by San Antonio Public Service Co., together with all equipment and tools in connection therewith: 1941 Ford coupe, 1941 1½-ton Chevrolet truck, 1941 1½-ton Chevrolet truck, 1936 pole trailer, 1938 ½-ton Chevrolet pickup, 1939 ½-ton Chevrolet pickup, 1941 ½-ton Ford pickup.

**Personal Property**  
All tools, appliances, furniture, furnishings and office equipment now located in or about the office heretofore used and occupied by San Antonio Public Service Co. in the City of Hondo, excluding, however, all merchandise and stock on hand held for sale and all material and supplies stored in said City.

Executed the 23rd day of December 1942.  
Guadalupe Electric Company,  
By A. E. ROBERTSON,  
President.

Attest:  
J. W. WILLIAMSON,  
Secretary.

Filed for record the 31st day of December 1942 at 9:20 A. M. Recorded the 2nd day of January A. D. 1943, at 1:15 o'clock P. M., Hondo, Texas.

**NOTICE TO MEDINA COUNTY AID SOCIETY MEMBERS**

The regular annual meeting of the Medina County Aid Society is hereby called to be held at Justice Court Office in Hondo on Saturday, January 9, 1943, at 3 o'clock P. M., for annual reports and the election of officers for the year 1943. All members are invited to attend.

F. BATOT,  
President.

H. V. HAASS,  
Secretary.



## JANUARY 12, 1943

With a Texas Farm Mobilization Committee, comprising both agricultural and non-farm leaders, being formed to advise the Texas U. S. Department of Agriculture War Board, Executive Vice President Ray Leeman of the South Texas Chamber of Commerce has accepted appointment as a member of the committee.

President Roosevelt has proclaimed Tuesday, January 12, as Farm Mobilization Day, when farmers of Texas and the nation will launch the 1943 Food for Freedom program.

In notifying Leeman of his appointment on the Texas committee, B. F. Vance, chairman of the U. S. D. A. War Board, College Station, said the group would advise board members on steps to complete mobilization of agriculture to achieve maximum war production.

"Farm production goals for 1943 are tremendous," Vance wrote. "Every effort must be made to meet those goals so that America's civilians, fighters and allies will have enough to eat."

## NEWS NOTES From The Navigation School

Issued by the Special Service Office, AAFNS, Hondo, Texas.

### HONDO NAVIGATION SCHOOL GRADUATES FIRST '43 CLASS

Stepping up its record-breaking pace of 1942, the AAF Navigation School, Hondo, Texas, Thursday graduated its first class of navigator-officers of the new year—the largest class in the history of this huge training base.

Undersecretary of War Robert Porter Patterson's son, Robert Jr., 19, was a member of the graduating class.

Awarding of silver navigator's wings and second lieutenant's commissions marked successful completion of 15 weeks of ground and air training in which class members mastered the four main phases of the Air Forces navigation course.

In the competition for scholastic awards, the second place award went to Lt. Merle Eugene Arthur, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore E. Arthur, 5472 Dalewood Ave., Maple Heights, Ohio, while first place was taken by Lt. Hymen Max Chausow, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Chausow, 3232 Crystal, Chicago, Ill.

Physical achievement awards, made to the three outstanding in athletic prowess, went to: First place, Lt. John Maxwell Freeman, 26, son

of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Freeman, 4126 San Carlos, Dallas, Texas; second place, Lt. Jack Warren Nix, 21, son of George Joseph Nix, Lombard, Ill.; third place, Lt. Richard Henry Moynihan, 27, son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick J. Moynihan, 47 Lawrence street, Haverhill, Mass.

For the second successive time, group 1 of the aviation cadet detachment topped the physical achievement trophy, with group 2 finishing second group 3 third. If group 1 wins the trophy the third time in a row, it becomes the groups' permanent possession.

Adapted by Jerome Chodorov and Joseph Fields from Sally Benson's stories in the "New Yorker" magazine, the play is still rocking New York with laughter. The three-act production is a warm-hearted, hilarious comedy about Judy and Lois Graves, teenage sisters, who keep their parents frantic with worry while providing the audience an evening of sparkling entertainment with their antics.

One of the most successful shows of the year on Broadway, it was one of the first to be selected for the USO-Camp Shows circuit. Leading stage and screen personalities appear in the cast.

Lucille Featherston, radio and stage ingenue, will portray Judy, the "Junior Miss" of the three-act play, and Helen Eastman, also of stage and screen, will carry the role of Judy's sister, Lois.

Fraye Gilbert, a prominent leading lady on Broadway, and Allan Hale, who recently was cast with Ethel Barrymore, will appear as the distraught parents.

Others in the cast are Strelsea Leeds of the British screen, Kevin O'Shea, Joan Jackson, Virginia Dyer, William David, Charles Wiley, Jim Naismith, Lance Clarke, Richard Astor, Richard Dyson, David Atlee, Zachary Charles and Frank Jacoby.

The production was supervised by Nancy Stern and staged by Irving Schneider. Robert Downing is the stage manager and Pat Agnew, general understudy, while Frederick Fox designed the set. The authors have waived their royalties for the camp tour.

**HONDO USO CLUB EXPANDS**

Initial step in the enlargement and improvement program planned by the Hondo USO club was taken this week with the opening of additional second-floor quarters.

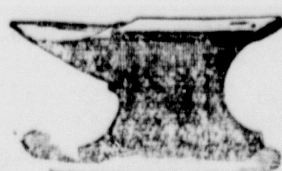
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Big sister in "Junior Miss," a leading comedy hit of the season, is lovely Helen Eastman. In the USO-Camp Shows, Inc., production, to be staged at Hondo Army Air Field Saturday night, Jan. 16, Miss Eastman will play the role of Judy Graves' older sister, Lois.



## SPARKS

Being News, Views and Reviews  
by the  
Managing Editor

### THE LOW DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE

Our whole mess and furore about youth delinquency looks like we are getting the old cart before the horse. We would come nearer making some headway if we did something about our delinquent mamas and papas versus their off-shoot. We got too many hot mamas and prancing papas. They been stepping on the gas and turning the youngsters over to be brought up by some playground director or social theorist—some graduate in psychology from some noted university. We are now in our second generation of delinquents.

"What is your idea on fixing everything?" says Henry. "I am glad you asked me," say I. "First, I would give the police free rein. When they picked up an obstreperous 16-year old and locked him or her up, they would go right out and round up the gossling's mama and papa and waltz them into the same jail. The whole family could cool off together—and maybe get acquainted. And in the second place, I would have an open season, year round, on psychologists, and pay a nice bounty for every hide brought in."

Yours with the low down  
JOE SERRA

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### COMEDY RIOT, "JUNIOR MISS," SLATED AT POST JAN. 16

"Junior Miss," comedy hit, will be presented at the Hondo Army Air Field post theatre Saturday night, Jan. 16, by USO-Camp Shows, Inc., according to Capt. C. A. Baril, special services officer.

Two free performances will be given.

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## QUIHI NOTES

Happy New Year has been the long and repeated wish by many and for many. And the happiness has already started for we still live and live in a country where it still holds good. "There is no other land like thee; No clearer shore; Thou art the shelter of the free; The home, the port of liberty; Thou hast been and will ever be, 'till time is o'er." And the happiness is increased by the thought, "Out where the handclasp a little stronger, out where the smile dwells a little longer. Out where the skies are a trifle bluer, Out where the friendship is a little truer, That's where the West begins." (Substitute "South" for West and it fits well.) And lest we presume that continued happiness in the New Year is a man-made affair, we lift our eyes up to the hills whence cometh our help so that it remains forever true, "O land, the measure of our prayers, Hope of the world in grief and wrong; Let thine the blessings of the years, The gift of faith, the crown of song!"

The services during the festive season saw a goodly number of worshippers. Blessing and joy were not lacking. The younger and the youngest were made glad in a special and well executed program. And the eyes of the older and the oldest were beaming under the shower of greetings and gifts from God and man. The pastor's family was particularly well remembered. Sincere thanks, indeed.

And during this happy time, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Nietenhoefer had their baby daughter baptized, having chosen the names of Betty Jean to go by. Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Nietenhoefer were glad to take over the sponsorship. God's blessings upon the child.

And to usher in the New Year in a specially fitting manner, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Boehle welcomed the arrival of a little daughter exactly on January 1st. And a close second followed soon after, a baby boy for the safe-keeping and rejoicing by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bohlen. Things look very satisfactory for mothers and children. And many are glad.

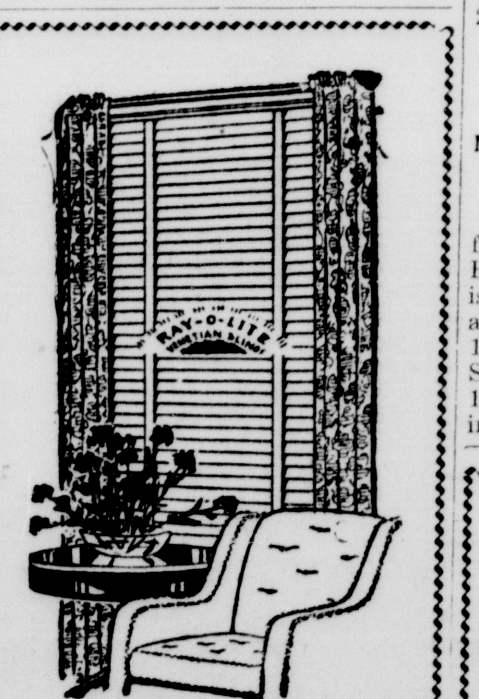
And the festive days were the suitable background for the departing of Elton Lindeberg, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Lindeberg. He followed his country's call to the colors and for the present has exchanged California for Texas. May God be his Guide.

Church announcements for January the 10th: Sunday school and Bible class at 10; English confessional service at 10:45; English service 11; Lord's Supper; German service at New Fountain; annual report and congregational meeting at 3:00 p. m.; Luther League program at 8 p. m. For January 17: Sunday school and Bible class at 10; German service at 11; induction of officers elected by the congregation, the Ladies' Aid, the Luther League and the Sunday school. "Another year is dawning! Dear Master, let it be in working or in waiting, another year with Thee!" Join us in work and worship! —C. W.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Dec. 21, Walter A. Schultz and Anne Stockton.  
Dec. 23, Donald O. Perrin and Lois Mae Jones.  
Dec. 23, Carl G. Farrington and Mrs. Irene E. Creager.  
Dec. 24, Thomas J. Scheurell and Marlene Adele Lerwick.  
Dec. 24, Joseph W. Koch and Barbara Elaine Biry.  
Dec. 24, H. S. Benton and Kathryn Bennett.  
Dec. 28, Allen Ray and Sadie Karsic.  
Dec. 29, Edward H. Davis and Arline E. Blottenberger.  
Dec. 29, Sgt. Rufus C. Duvall and Geneva Price.  
Dec. 30, Sgt. Samuel LaBirt (col.) and Dorothy Mae Chase (col.).  
Jan. 1, William A. Smith and Margaret Mathilda Mick.  
Jan. 1, Emilio Villarreal and Elba Cortinas.  
Jan. 2, Pedro Martinez and Lupe Campos.  
Jan. 2, William S. Frank and Dorothy Laura Goll.  
Jan. 4, Eugene Tracy Patton and Mrs. Gene Patton.  
Jan. 4, Frank W. Byrnes and Mrs. Marguerite Broussard.

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Hondo, Texas

## LIVESTOCK MARKET REPORT

MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 1943

**HOGS**—Estimated salable and total receipt 1,100. The week's initial session in the San Antonio hog division found prices listed on a generally steady basis as compared with last week Thursday. The day's top of \$14.00 took Good and Choice 180-270 lb. butchers although most sales at the price averaged 190 lbs. and above. Similar grade 160-180 lbs. moved in a wide spread of \$13.25-14.00. 140-160 lb. light lights at \$13.00-13.25. Sows averaging 450 lbs. down cleared \$12.25-13.00. Limited feeder pig supplies sold readily at \$12.50-13.00.

**CATTLE**—Estimated salable and total receipts 1,100; CALVES 2,900. Cattle trade for the Monday session proved to be an active affair for all classes. Generally steady to strong prices prevailed in most cases with cows strong to 25c higher. Medium and Good short fed steer and heifer yearlings sold to especially good advantage.

Several loads and small lots Medium and Good 636-765 lb. short fed yearlings cashed at \$13.00-13.50. The \$13.50 line also took two loads Good 807 lb. fed heifers. Limited numbers Common and Medium steers and yearlings sold chiefly at \$10.00-11.75.

A few Good grade beef cows changed hands at \$9.50-10.75 and odd head Choice to \$11.00. Occasional heifer type individuals reached \$12.00. Common and Medium beef offerings ranged from \$8.00-9.50. Canners and Cutters cleared \$5.75-8.00 with very little below \$6.00. Medium and Good sausage bull changed hands at \$9.75-10.50, with Cutter and Common lots \$7.50-9.25. Good and Choice slaughter calves met ready takers at \$12.00-13.00 with Common and Medium at \$9.50-11.75 and Culls chiefly \$7.50-9.50. A few rank Culls had to go at \$7.00-7.25.

Good and Choice stock steer calves realized \$12.00-13.00 while Common and Medium selections cleared \$9.50-11.25. A few Choice heifers reached \$12.00.

**SHEEP**—Estimated salable and total receipts 1,300 including 800 cants. Active trading cleared offerings in the sheep and goat divisions at an early hour on a fully steady basis. A deck Good and Choice fall shorn 85 lb. slaughter lambs earned \$12.00 with bucks at \$11.00. Common and Medium, full pelts ewes secured \$5.50. Choice woolled yearlings and two year olds claimed \$10.50 and \$9.50 respectively. Loaders Common and Medium killer Angora goats in the hair made \$5.50-5.65 and fresh shorn \$5.00-5.25. Medium grade feeder lambs cashed at \$8.00.

**GLEN L. ELLISON,**  
Local Representative

## LARGE GROUP OF MEN ANSWER TWO SELECTIVE SERVICE CALLS

Two groups of Medina County selectees were inducted into the United States Army, on December 27th and December 29th, under the Selective Service act. The larger number reported to Fort Sam Houston Reception Center on Dec. 27th and were transferred to the Enlisted Reserve Corps. After spending a few days at their respective homes they men reported back on January 5th for active duty. They are:  
Oliver B. Harless, LaCoste.  
Ysidro P. Perez, Devine.  
Vicente Juarez, Natalia.  
Cecilio O. Perez, Natalia.  
Eulalio Camacho, Hondo.  
Victoriano Garcia Jr., Lytle.  
Andres Contreras, Hondo.  
Rudolfo Ramirez, Devine.  
Ricardo Pompa, Devine.  
Nuel R. Highsmith, Yancey.  
Stanley B. Stegall, Medina Lake.  
The second and smaller group was sent to Fort Bliss Reception Center at El Paso, Texas, where the following men were inducted:  
Adolfo Lombardo Cortez, D'Hanis.  
Catarino Elizondo, Devine.  
Librado Guillermo Perez, Natalia.  
Pablo Cortez, D'Hanis.  
Pedro Molino, D'Hanis.  
Pedro Suniga, Natalia.  
The Medina County Draft Board reports 89 youths in the 18-year-old age group registered under the Sixth Registration from December 11, 1942, through January 5, 1943. Others will register on their eighteenth birthdays.

## WEATHER REPORT

Hondo Texas, for the month of December, 1942.—Temperature: highest, 87 degrees on 4th; lowest, 28 degrees on the 29th. Four rainy days with a total of 0.75 inch; since Jan. 1, 1942, 34.99 inches; average 28 inches plus.

**H. E. HAASS,**  
Observer U. S. Weather Bureau,  
Hondo, Texas.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES FOR 1942 EXCEED PREVIOUS YEARS

Marriage licenses issued in 1942 from the County Clerk's office in Hondo reached a new high with 281 issued as compared with 212 in 1941 and 198 in 1940. Both 1940 and 1941 were considered peak years. Six licenses were issued on December 19, the largest number ever issued in Medina County in one day.

## DANCE

—AT—  
**Quihi Gun Club Hall**  
**Saturday, January 16th**  
Music By—  
**SAN ANTONIO HILL BILLYS**  
Admission: Gentlemen . . . 40c  
Ladies . . . 20c  
TAX INCLUDED  
**Everybody Invited!**

## The Raye and Park THEATRES

### THE RAYE

Friday and Saturday  
January 8th-9th

**"JOAN OF OZARK"**

Judy Canova Joe E. Brown

Sunday and Monday  
January 10th-11th

**"SPRINGTIME IN THE POCKIES"**

Betty Grable John Payne

Tuesday, Wednesday and  
Thursday, January 12-13-14

**"SILVER QUEEN"**

George Brent Priscilla Lane

Friday and Saturday  
January 15th-16th

**"KLONDIKE FURY"**

Edmund Lowe Lucile Fairbanks

Starting time—7:00 P. M.  
Matinee continuous SAT.-SUN.  
from 2:00 P. M. on, never stops.

Admission all times 9c-30c

News . . Comedies . . Cartoons and Serials

### THE PARK

Friday and Saturday  
January 8th-9th

**"ROMANCE ON THE RANGE"**

Roy Rogers "Gabby" Hayes

Sunday and Monday  
January 10th-11th

**"LUCKY LEGS"**

Jinx Falkenberg Kay Harris

Tuesday and Wednesday  
January 12th-13th

**"RHYTHM PARADE"**

Gale Storm Robert Lowery

Thursday, January 14th

**"REMARKABLE ANDREW"**

William Holden Ellen Drew

Friday and Saturday  
January 15th-16th

**"AVENGING RIDER"**

Night show starts at 7:00.  
Matinee SATURDAY only at 2:00 P. M.  
Admission 9c and 20c all times

## RATION BOARD ANNOUNCEMENT

Deadline for the Medina County War Price and Rationing Board to issue temporary transport rations for trucks, buses and other commercial vehicles has been set for January 31, the chairman of the local board announced today.

A new amendment to the rationing regulations also authorized the board to issue these rations in the following cases, in addition to those previously provided for:

1. Where a certificate of war necessity issued by the Office of Defense Transportation clearly does not allow enough gallonage to take care of the applicant's requirements through January 31. This provision was previously announced, although OPA boards in certain cases were authorized to issue temporary rations only through December 31.

2. Where a previously issued transport ration is insufficient to meet the applicant's needs through January 31 and the applicant has not as yet received his certificate of war necessity, and his application has not been denied.

3. Where a transport ration has been granted upon the basis of a certificate of war necessity and the ration is insufficient to meet the applicant's requirements through January 31, and where the appeal has not, as yet, been acted upon.

The chairman said that January 31 has been set as the last date for issuance of temporary transport rations at the request of OPA, which pointed out that action on appeals for larger rations than those allowed on the war certificates could be completed by that time.

This action is taken in Amendment No. 7 to Ration Order No. S5 C, and became effective December 31.

## HONDO GIRL WEDS IN RENO

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Carter of Hondo announce the marriage of their daughter, Fay Iris, to Mr. Luther G. McCartney of Alameda, California. The marriage took place at 8:45 P. M. Sunday, December 27, 1942, in the Washoe County courthouse, Reno, Nevada. Rev. L. J. Osborne, pastor of the First Methodist church of Reno, officiated and attendants were Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carson of Sacramento, California, formerly of San Antonio.

The bride wore a beige wool suit with navy blue accessories. Mrs. Carson was dressed in forest green velvet with brown accessories.

Mr. and Mrs. McCartney are now at home at 33 Craig avenue, Piedmont, California.

The bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Carter and a graduate of Hondo High School. Since her graduation from the Santa Rosa School of Nursing last June she had been practicing her profession in San Antonio. Mr. McCartney is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McCartney of San Antonio and is an aviation machinist's mate, third class, in the U. S. Navy. He was injured in action in the Pacific arena and was granted several months' furlough. He is now attending school at the Naval Air Station, Alameda, California.

## COUNTY OFFICERS SWORN IN

The county officials, elected or re-elected at the November general election, were sworn in January 2, 1943, at the county courthouse in Hondo. Bonds for officials were also approved. Only new members of the official courthouse family are H. J. Bippert, of Castroville, and John G. Britsch, of Hondo. Both are members of the County Commissioners Court, Mr. Bippert being Commissioner of Precinct No. 2 and Mr. Britsch of Precinct No. 1. Term of office is two years.

## REWARD

\$10.00 reward for finder of small Hereford bull calf. Dark red, short legged, weight about 450. Missing for 14 days.

**CHAS. C. TONDRE.**

## 4-H GIRL DOES HER PART IN WAR EFFORT

Girls have a definite part in this war effort and according to the following record sent in by Mary Catherine Schmidt, ten year old daughter of George Schmidt of Shook Community, they are really getting their part done.

"This year for the 4-H club, I had a Victory garden. I put out a thousand onions and made good. I sold about sixty-seven pounds of onions, three pounds at ten cents. I had beets, lettuce, and other vegetables. I have been selling vegetables all this year, beside what I canned.

"We have an orchard. We canned these things out of it: pears, figs, grapes, strawberries, and other fruits. We have ten large peach trees that we harvest and got about nine hundred pounds. We would have had a lot more but the storm knocked them down.

"I set the table correctly two dozen times, prepared and served fruits six times this year. I canned two jars of fruits to exhibit on Exhibit Day in 4-H Division. I made a pair of pillow cases, made a bed properly, provided a pillow protector. I sure did enjoy these things to make my room look nice.

"I have about fifty little baby chicks and feed them three times a day. They were three weeks old Friday. I sure enjoy doing all these things."

Mary Catherine is doing her part on the Home Front! Are you?

## LEINWEBER COMMUNITY H. D. CLUB MEETS

On December 23, the Leinweber Community Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. August Leinweber, with eight members and Miss Velma Hambleton, County Home Demonstration Agent, attending.

The president presided at a short business meeting. The club decided to fix up a box of cookies and take it to the U. S. O. in Hondo for the soldiers for Christmas. The Club also turned in a number of completed Red Cross garments.

After the business meeting was taken care of, the members and Miss Hambleton had a Christmas party, finding a Christmas tree with lots of gifts. The members drew names and gave each other a useful little gift, and also handed Miss Hambleton a personal expression from each club member.

The hostess served a delicious lunch after which the meeting adjourned.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Hugo Saathoff on January 13, at 2 o'clock.

## LADIES' AID SOCIETY MEETS

The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Paul's Lutheran Church met Wednesday afternoon, January 6, at the home of Mrs. H. E. Haass. The text of the pastor's talk was Epiphany Lesson Matthew 2. The following members were appointed to the flower committee for the month of January: Mrs. Felix Batot and Mrs. Emmitt Nester. The new membership and hospitality committee for 1943 includes Mrs. M. J. Loring, chairman, Mrs. L. A. Mechler, Mrs. H. E. Haass and Mrs. Alfred Breiten. The hostess served delicious refreshments of tongue sandwiches, fruit cake, cookies and hot chocolate to the following: Rev. and Mrs. M. J. Loring, Mrs. Ben Graff, Mrs. F. Grube, Mrs. Minnie Hoeke, Mrs. Felix Batot, Mrs. Aug. Schroeder, Mrs. L. A. Mechler, Mrs. Edgar Stiegler, Mrs. C. F. Haass, Mrs. C. J. Stiegler, Mrs. Emmitt Nester, Mrs. Wm. Mussmann, Mrs. Milton Heyen, Mrs. Robert Schulte, Mrs. Clarence Neuman, and Mrs. Dana Herrevig.

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## SPECIALS

Friday and Saturday, January 8th-9th

TOMATOES, Texas, No. 2 can, 2 for	23c	CORN FLAKES, Kellogg's, Giant pkg.	14c
WESSON OIL, Qt.	55c	TOMATO PUREE, 5 1/2 oz. can, 3 for	13c
SNOWDRIFT, 3 lb. pail	69c	BABY FOOD, Gerber's, 3 cans	22c
SYRUP, Blue Label Karo, 1 1/2 tin	14c	PEARS, Libby, No. 2 can	24c
BORAX, Twenty Mule Team, 10 oz. pkg.	10c	TOMATO JUICE, Libby, No. 2 can, 2 for	25c
BORAXO, can	14c	PINTO BEANS, Dried, 2 lbs.	15c
CLEANSER, Old Dutch, 3 for	24c	PEAS, Blackeyed, 2 lbs.	19c
RINSO, large pkg.	22c	LIMAS, Large, 2 lbs.	25c
MUSTARD, Libby's, 9 oz. jar	10c	NAVIES, Small, 2 lbs.	17c
SAUCE, Lee and Perrin's, bottle	21c	BLEACH, Rainbow, qt.	10c
HOT SAUCE, 6 oz. bottle	8c	CREAM OF WHEAT, lg. pkg.	25c
PICKLE CHILIES, Trappie's, 12 oz. bottle	13c	RALSTON, Instant, pkg.	25c
PET MILK, Irradiated, 3 cans	26c	OATMEAL, 3 Minute, lg. pkg.	22c
CORN MEAL, Quaker, pkg.	9c	SYRUP, Steamboat, 1 1/2	10c
		MALT O MEAL, pkg.	25c

## CHOICE MEATS

CHUCK ROAST, Lb.	25c
RIBS, Lb.	23c
SUMMER SAUSAGE, Lb.	28c
PARKAY OLEO, Lb.	26c

## FRUITS and VEGETABLES

SPUDS, 10 lbs.	31c
AVOCADOES, 2 for	15c
EGG PLANT, Lb.	9c
ORANGES, 2 dozen, large size	39c

ONE DELIVERY A DAY: 10:15 EVERY MORNING  
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## ANCESTORS

By Mary Morgan Ware

"Mother, I would like you to meet Brian Bowman," Evadne Browne's manner was defiant. "He's the new man in the bank."

Brian had been angling for this introduction for several weeks. Evadne also worked in the bank, and she found it hard to evade his hints. Finally she asked him to her home.

Mrs. Browne raised her eyebrows, and settled her eyeglasses more to her introduction. "Pleased, I'm sure," she murmured indistinctly. Then she looked inquiringly at Evadne.

"Mr. Bowman is from Kentucky," Vad explained, playing a card she felt sure would help the young man to win welcome.

The temperature rose several degrees as Mrs. Browne thawed visibly. "I'm glad to meet anyone from my native State," she assured Brian.

"Where do your people live?" "Bowling, near Louisville. It's a small place, just a country town," Brian answered.

Evadne watched her mother and Brian with some anxiety. She had hesitated to introduce him for two reasons. She feared her mother would freeze him out, and he might laugh at her mother's fondness for ancestors.

"Ah, indeed!" Mrs. Browne was more gracious. "I grew up in Bowling, not far from Frankfort. My Great Grandfather Fortesque was prominent in politics. Great Uncle Greg was also quite a prominent man. Some of my great-aunts were great Court favorites."

"Now, Mother," Vad interrupted disrespectfully, "Brian doesn't want to hear all about the coconuts on your family tree. At least not this time." She was needlessly uneasy. Brian was an intelligent young man.

"Family trees are worth preserving," he assured Vad solemnly, despite the twinkle in his gray eyes. "Even though you sometimes have to work hard to do it."

Mrs. Browne stared at him suspiciously. Possibly she didn't quite grasp his meaning, if any. He seemed serious.

"Family trees are as important as anything I know of. Blood will tell a long run," she asserted warmly. "Evadne makes light of such things."

"Now, Mother," Vad interrupted again, "Brian will listen to the rest later. We're going out to the Country Club, and we're in a hurry."

"Do you care especially about the Club?" Brian asked as he settled himself in his roadster. Vad shook her head. "Then let's take a long ride."

Although it was yet early when Brian brought her home, and he lingered as though loathe to go, Vad did not ask him in. "What was the use?" she said to herself. "Mother wouldn't talk about anything but Kentucky and Fortesques."

"Goodnight, Brian," she said. "I've had a lovely time." She ran swiftly up the steps and shut the door.

Vad went into the living-room where her mother was working on her endless embroidery. "Hello, Mother," she greeted with an absent air.

For awhile there was no sound save the occasional snip of Mrs. Browne's scissors and the creak of the rocker.

"I have often wished I knew just what Uncle Greg's business was," Mrs. Browne broke the silence. "It was something of a hazardous nature, I'm sure. But then you never knew when you were safe in those days. I think he was a politician."

Evadne had heard it so many times that she could have repeated it in regular order with every comma, period, and exclamation in their proper places. She had a problem of her own to solve, and she did not know just how to go about it.

"Evadne!" exclaimed Mrs. Browne sharply. "You haven't heard a word I said."

"No, I haven't," Vad answered. "But I've heard it all before. I'll bet Uncle Greg, and Aunt Ellen, and Great Grandfather Fortesque were a pretty tiresome bunch." She jumped up and ran from the room.

All the following week Vad avoided Brian as much as she could, but in a small place she could not evade him long. It was nearly a week after the day she had introduced him to her mother. Vad in great haste to go home met Brian at the entrance.

He turned and walked with her. "Vad, why do you dislike me so much?"

"I don't dislike you," she contradicted.

"Then why have you avoided me all the week?" he inquired.

"You must have imagined it," she replied, coloring.

"I haven't done anything to displease you then?"

"Oh, no."

"I'm glad." He seemed relieved. They had reached her home, and stopped to talk in front of the porch. "You are going to ask me in this time, aren't you?" he insinuated.

Vad looked at him seriously for several minutes. "I didn't know you would care for another chapter of ancestors. Mother is fond of that topic. Do you want to come in spite of that?"

"Yes," he answered. "Yes, I do, really and truly."

"Don't you dare to laugh!" Vad said fiercely.

"I haven't laughed," he disclaimed indignantly. "I expect to know all there is to be found out about your ancestors some day."

"Oh, all right. Perhaps you had better begin now."

"I've had as many ancestors as the average man," he assured her.

"Have you, indeed?" Brian's ex-

pression baffled her. "If you can't produce the proper credentials at the right time you're done for."

They went into the living-room where Mrs. Browne was busy with her embroidery.

"Hello, mother," Vad greeted her. "I'll leave Brian to entertain you while I see if I can find some lemonade."

Brian was a frequent visitor in the days that followed. He did not seem bored with Mrs. Browne's conversation.

Brian seems to be a very nice young man, but he never says anything about his folks," said Mrs. Browne one evening after he had gone.

"I don't think he has much chance," retorted Vad. "He isn't much of a talker anyway." She thought it was queer that he had not spoken about his people, knowing so well her mother's point of view.

"If he doesn't have the right background you never can be sure what he will be later," pursued Mrs. Browne.

"Brian isn't responsible for what his great-grandfather did," rejoined Vad warmly. "I'm sure my great-grandmother had nothing on me."

Vad was sure her mother would manage to eliminate Brian soon, as she had several young men before this time she had reckoned without Brian. It seemed that he did not choose to be eliminated. Several times a week he sent, or brought flowers or candy, or some dainty trifle to Mrs. Browne.

Vad was no more amazed at Brian's conduct than at her mother's. Mrs. Browne appeared to be delighted with the little gifts. What would be the outcome? Her mother had not mentioned ancestors for some time, but of course she had not forgotten them.

Brian breezed in gaily and dropped a box of Mrs. Browne's favorite chocolate crisps in that lady's lap. "Hello, Lady. I say, Vad let's go out to the Little Brown Inn," he invited.

"All right," she agreed.

They had gone several miles in silence. "Why so silent, fair maid? Is something wrong, Vad?"

"Yes," Vad said slowly. "Why don't you give Mother the information she wants?"

"Oh, you mean about my ancestors?"

"Yes."

"Well, you see I'd rather she liked me for myself. I haven't any relatives left except some cousins."

"All right," said Vad impatiently. "Let's go, if we're going." The worried look was still there.

"Do ancestors make a difference with you, too, Vad?"

"You know they don't," she answered quickly.

"Don't worry, then. I will dig up some ancestors if it is necessary," he said, giving her hand a reassuring pressure.

Vad felt a great relief. Perhaps everything would be all right.

Vad and Brian entered the living-room together. "Good evening, Lady." He came over to the table where Mrs. Browne sat with her embroidery. "You must have trunks full of these doo-dads," with a gesture toward the centerpiece she was working.

"Oh, no," Mrs. Browne denied. "Some of them I donate to the bazaar, and they make nice wedding presents. Perhaps I will give you some when you are married."

Brian assumed a doleful expression. "I shall never marry," he said mournfully. "You wouldn't wait for me. I have always been too late."

Mrs. Browne smiled indulgently. "Poor boy," she commiserated.

Brian sat down facing Mrs. Browne. "My vacation begins Monday," he said. "I am going to spend it in Bowling."

Mrs. Browne let her work drop to her lap, and looked up. "How I envy you," she said. "Perhaps you will look up some records for me."

"It will give me much pleasure and I will write," he replied promptly.

"You are coming back, aren't you?" she asked.

"Oh, yes, of course." He grinned and looked over at Vad. "I haven't liked any place so well since I left home. I think I'll settle down and make a respectable citizen. I may even become one of the inner circle. Who knows?"

"It will take more than a box of chocolates to get you in," retorted Vad impudently.

"Time will tell," he answered as he rose to go.

Vad followed him to the door. "If I write, will you answer?" he asked.

"Perhaps. I'm not a good correspondent," she evaded.

"I'll write by way of experiment and see what the result is."

It seemed to Vad as if days never had been so long. She watched the mails for the promised letter, but it failed to come. Probably he was enjoying himself amid the scenes of

childhood days, and he had forgotten to write.

The second week of Brian's vacation was drawing to a close, when Vad came in one afternoon to find a stranger seated in the most comfortable chair in the living-room. She thought at first it was Brian. Then her mother spoke.

"Evadne, this is Mr. Bruce. Mr. Bruce, my daughter."

Mr. Bruce unfolded himself from the easy chair. "I am indeed charmed. Another fair flower transplanted from Kentucky."

"Oh, no," disputed Vad, "you are quite mistaken. I am just a common hollyhock raised in Dingledale. Dad was a native of this place, and I also."

"Evadne," Mrs. Browne reproved sharply. "Mr. Bruce is a direct descendant of Robert Bruce."

"How wonderful! You look just as I should imagine Robert of revered memory might look," remarked Vad. She sat down in a shadowy corner.

Mr. Bruce nodded doubtfully.

"Why, Evadne, I didn't know you ever thought about Robert Bruce."

"No one would expect it of me," Vad replied flippantly. "But I do think a lot." She studied the newcomer. She had taken a violent dislike to him. His manner was too suave, his lips too thin, his eyes too close together. Vad took no part in the conversation, but soon she was conscious that he was telling her mother ancient history. She tried to slip out of the room, but her mother saw her before she reached the door.

"Mr. Bruce is having tea with us Evadne."

"How nice," Vad replied sweetly, and went quickly away to put on her most unbecoming dress.

In the following days Mr. Bruce was always calling. Vad tried to avoid him, but it was impossible. She was slipping out of a side door one evening when her mother came into the hall.

"Evadne," she said, "I wish you would be more agreeable to Mr. Bruce. He is a very estimable young man."

"He isn't as nice as Brian," Vad retorted. "I don't believe you like him half as well. He isn't giving you any bouquets either."

Mrs. Browne was uneasy. "No, of course not. Not many young men send flowers to old ladies. Mr. Bruce had a remarkable line of ancestors, and I want you to be more cordial to him."

"Oh, all right," said Vad. She was piqued because Brian had not written to her as he had promised. She did not trust Mr. Bruce with his too smooth manners. Of course mother was fascinated by his tales of royalty, but Vad was skeptical about his family tree. He had offered nothing to prove his claims. She supposed she might as well be more friendly.

The third week of Brian's absence was slipping away. Perhaps he was not coming back. He had not written. Her mother had not mentioned him lately. She had forgotten him, it seemed, while she entertained the distinguished guest.

Soon after his return Brian met Vad and Bruce on the street. He greeted her cordially, but studied Bruce all the while. The latter seemed to be very uneasy. "Vad, may I see you alone?" he asked.

Vad hesitated.

"Run along," Bruce ordered. "Can't you see that Miss Browne doesn't wish to see you?"

Brian ignored him, and spoke insistently to Vad. "I have my report to make on that matter of business. I would like to consult you before I go to headquarters."

"Oh, all right," Vad consented. "I am sure Mr. Bruce will excuse me."

When they were out of hearing Brian demanded, "Who did you say that man is?"

"Mr. Bruce. He is a direct descendant of Robert Bruce," explained Vad.

"My word!" exclaimed Brian. "Yes, he is not. His father is janitor of the Astor House, and his name is Peter Brant."

Vad stared at him, then laughed until she gasped for breath.

"What is so funny?" demanded Brian huffily.

"Nothing much," gasped Vad. "Mother has been so interested in his family tree."

Brian grinned. "That's good."

"She has appropriated him in her mind as a son-in-law, and 'Barkis seems to be willin'."

"What?"

"Never mind. I have to be considered, you know. Now tell me about that matter of business." Vad noticed that Brian looked worried.

"I wanted to see you before I met your mother," he said. "There is something I want to ask you about."

"Yes, what is it?"

"Well, you see I had quite a time finding anyone who knew anything about the Fortesques. I had to ask for another week off. Then I found a couple of old-timers who were full

of reminiscences. I couldn't find any authentic records." His tale halted again.

"Well," Vad urged.

"Your mother's Uncle Greg was famous in a way, or rather, infamous. He was the biggest rascal unhung," Brian blurted at last. "What shall I tell your mother?"

Vad was silent.

"What I found out won't make any difference with us, will it Vad?"

"Of course not, silly," she assured him. "I would tell her that Uncle Greg was famous, but the records aren't complete, and you can't tell her anything more. You might add that you regret that you weren't more successful. We aren't responsible for a lot of old ancestors, anyway."

Vad smiled at him consolingly. "I think everything will be all right if you can tell as much about your own family tree." The last was half question.

Brian nodded assent, and went on to say, "Gregory Fortesque managed to keep the surrounding country pretty well stirred up over his misdeeds for many years. Then all at once he disappeared, and no one ever heard anything more about him. But everyone thought he was killed in some escapade."

Brian drew a long breath and smiled. "I have a few things to attend to now, but I will see you this evening. I have something pleasant to tell you and your mother."

Brian breezed in with a box of candy which he dropped in Mrs. Browne's lap. "Well, mother," he said audaciously, as he bent and kissed that lady, "aren't you glad to see the prodigal?"

"Yes, I am, son," she smiled back. "I have missed you very much."

Brian seated himself beside Vad took her hand and inspected it carefully. He reached into his pocket and took out something that he slipped on her finger. "Just right," he approved, keeping possession of the hand.

"Now you are waiting to hear about Uncle Greg," he said. "I am sorry that I couldn't find the information you wanted." He explained what he and Vad had agreed to tell. Mrs. Browne was disappointed, but Brian made her forget it by telling a story of his own.

"You won't mind adopting me if I prove my ancestors are as good as yours, will you?" he demanded, looking quizzically at Vad.

Mrs. Browne assented, smiling. "I wouldn't mind, anyway, my boy."

"My great-grandfather was cousin to your great-grandmother," Brian said. He was plainly enjoying himself immensely. He explained fully and satisfactorily down to date mentioning names on either side.

"I found a few old cronies who had always lived in the two little places, and they told me all they could remember, which was plenty."

As he finished his story he drew Vad close, and smiled at her. "Is it all right now, Vaddie? Will you accept me as a member of the family, and the inner circle?"

## THE UNVOICED

Dreaming forever, tongue-tied  
with his dreams,  
he grave, slow-thinking farm-lad  
ever worked;  
seeing the spring's first glint of  
green-bued flames,  
hearing to plowing which he never  
shirked,  
hearing with torture, wild geese  
over-head,  
knowing the call of places far away  
but driving aching feet for daily  
bread—  
Too worn at evening hour for  
thought to pray,  
yet something stirred within his  
groping mind,  
and spring, returning, found his  
acres bare,  
while stumbling purpose drove him  
forth to find  
The voice which whispered down the  
restless air . . .  
He went, still torn upon the tongue-  
tied's rack—  
Nor knew his dream would draw him,  
surely, back!  
—MURRAY SKINNER.

## SPIRITUAL AWAKENING

Beloved is my moonlit mountain,  
The cloud in the silver sea,  
The song in the playful fountain,  
The bloom of an apple tree.  
Each whispering star above me,  
Each spear in the bluelit jet,  
Eases the burden that must be;  
The load that I ought to forget.  
  
I hallow this great creation—  
The Heaven I grew to see,  
His beauty within me kindled;  
What more would you ask of me?  
Yet, when the trials are darkest,  
And beauty will not answer me,  
I turn to the great Creator  
In prayer upon humbled knee.  
—JOHN HARSEN RHOADES.

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## THE GIANT'S TOWER

The road lies long over dale and hill;  
Our host fills glasses with a merry clink  
We pledge our comrades with hearty good will  
To the chain of faith each day adds a link  
  
I will hasten away on wings of make-believe  
To where gales blow constant over Wyoming hills,  
Dawns are stranded gold through a fairy sieve,  
Daylight's crystal draught a great chalice fills.

We scaled Giant's Tower while late afternoon  
Blazed from a sunset caldron beyond the Wasatch;  
Weird voices of Distance droned a Witch's rune,  
Doors of a cosmic Cathedral hung on a latch.

The dreams that we dream all days that we live  
Are one with the stirring of a mighty brew.  
We make hasty choice and our portion we give  
As each day presents an old problem anew.

I turn and look down years that wind and fade,  
Spanning hollows where darkness has its lair  
To where Giant's Tower is a lofty colonnade—  
And the girl Violet is ever young and fair.

Today on a crossing in a crowded thoroughfare  
I saw her again unchanged from years far away,  
With her timeless charm and her deathless dare—  
Then Giant's Tower uprose on Gotham's Broadway.

Our road is long and embers are far blown;  
Our Host grows older as he serves us cheer  
We are made and parceled from all we have known:  
All we have strongly felt is with us everywhere.

## BIRDS

Wing . . . wing . . .  
Above the earth,  
Multi-colored birds,  
Swift flyers of the summer blue,  
Explorers of the silent beyond,  
Come winging down and skim my lily pond.  
  
Burst you enchanting songs upon the air;  
We love to hear you sweetly singing there,  
And all your songs seem sweet and new.  
Wing near the skyway's fleecy herds;  
We know your worth . . .  
Sing . . . sing . . .  
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## THE ENDING OF A SUMMER DAY

Tree leaves now soft with rain,  
strung as jewels on the pane;  
Dark Thunderclouds pile up along the west;  
Nearer Cloud-Shields, fiercely white,  
shine against a deeper night.  
Militant forces bannered over a mighty crest.

Thus a summer day will end with heaven on errand to befriend  
With refreshment the hungering earth.  
A showy circus fan-fare permeates the laden air  
Fulfilling its purpose of kindly worth.

We may view this vasty show while vitalizing gales blow  
Searching every corner of the scene:  
Part and parcel of a plot wherein no point is ever forgot—  
Thus, as now, it has ever been.

There is intention over it all which defeat cannot finally stall;  
Stop worrying, Brother, Divine purpose must win,  
Had it ever been otherwise naught but wreck would fill the skies.  
The Purpose did not yesterday begin.

Nay I do not know it all, but at last there must befall  
That which was intended from the first.  
Infinity's labor will not lose what ever happens to confuse.—  
Justice is a most understandable thirst.

Surely there must arise happy issue of this big enterprise,  
Which was never captained by chance;  
Reason holds her supreme sway calmly controlling check or delay  
Until victory crowns the last advance.

—DAVID W. CADE.

## TRUE WORK

Dear Lord, does my true work today consist of trifling things to do?  
They seem so small, the parts I play.  
Great things I planned—and noble too;  
So help me Lord, to understand  
What happiness it always brings  
To do the humble task at hand,  
Then look to Thee for greater things;

Yes, child of Mine, I know it is true,  
That rough at times was the path you trod,  
And humble seems My work for you;  
But lowly once was the Son of God.  
If you walk in My foot-prints, you'll understand  
'Tis the path behind Me that daily glows.

I've no greater work than the task at hand  
For any one. The Father knows.  
—AMMIE EDWARDS COLEMAN

## AUTUMNAL JAUNDICE

Bare trees against a sallow sky;  
a withered leaf upon the ground . . .  
—HELENA SIDIS.

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## Washington Snapshots

by JAMES PRESTON

All statements and opinions in this column are Mr. Pearson's own and do not necessarily represent those of this paper.—M. E.

The new members of the Czar family, Manpower McNutt and Foodpower Wickard, are going ahead with programs that will soon affect every U. S. citizen in a number of ways.

—WSS—

Our armed forces now situated on no less than sixty-five points on the world war map are going to be fed, equipped and properly taken care of even though we have to do without a great many things we are used to having.

—WSS—

The new Manpower program under the guidance of Paul V. McNutt, Chief of the War Manpower Commission, will soon whittle down from the present ration of nine to one, a new deal which will put one man in the armed services for every five men in the civilian labor force.

—WSS—

Principal points in the Manpower schedule which will have a great deal to do with the Foodpower job include:

- (1) Allocation of manpower to armed forces, war industries, agriculture and other essential civilian activities;
- (2) Efficient use of labor for war industries;
- (3) Mobilization of the nation's labor reserve;
- (4) Transfer of workers from less essential activities to the support of the war;
- (5) Provisions of labor needed for essential agriculture.

—WSS—

While Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard, new Food Czar cannot promise "any complete solution" to the growing shortage of farm labor, he pledged that the government would do everything in its power to alleviate this situation and give the farmers as much help as possible.

—WSS—

From now on until the Axis is written off, the volume on hand writing is going to be greatly reduced in this country. Sharp reductions in the volume of wooden pencils, fountain pens, and mechanical pencils, to be produced next year, was ordered recently by the War Production Board. Mechanical pencil producers will have to cut their output down to forty-seven per cent of 1941 production.

—WSS—

The much discussed shovel in the hands of many public project workers will soon be a thing of the past. February 1, 1943 will see the end of all Works Progress Administration activities. The prompt liquidation of this great public burden will be a pleasant relief to the millions of taxpayers who have been supporting this government activity for several years and who also are occupied with the necessary burden of the expense of this war.

—WSS—

While our armed forces were moving in on the new African front, the Axis Armistice Commission was pillaging civilian stock piles of goods required by the natives and by the invaders. Consequently Lend-Lease is sending five million dollars worth of sugar, powdered and evaporated milk, green tea, cheese, newsprint, kerosene, drugs, and copper sulphate to North Africa.

### STRANGE

He caught a glimpse of after Light,  
One time, as he walked on at night  
Beneath a winter's darkest sky.  
The night was dark and deathly still  
And he had need for wings to fly.  
For his poor sight was not his will  
To have—but far above a hill,  
That was as dark as night itself,  
A strange light broke out clear and bright.

And someone's voice said know yourself—  
How well it was he walked that night.

—VELOUS CALL.

### GANDER

They killed the goose  
That laid the golden egg.  
What folly  
But—by golly!  
Little two-leg  
Was a silly goose  
To lay an egg  
For those that kill.

—EDITH ANISFIELD WOLF.

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## THE WAR

A summary of the past week's war events reviewed by The National Editorial Association Defense Advisory Committee in cooperation with the Office of Government Reports.

DECEMBER 28, 1942

"There is no hope for any lessening of the restrictions upon the use of gasoline and fuel oil," OES Director Byrnes said after a conference with the officials in charge of the nation's petroleum program. Mr. Byrnes asked the administrators of the three agencies responsible—OPA, the ODT, and the Petroleum Administration for War—to submit as soon as possible their suggestions on various phases of the problem, and in the meantime to take steps to increase supply and improve rationing methods.

The immediate problem of petroleum is the result of unanticipated demands for military purposes. And since 30 states are fuel-oil-rationed and all of the states gas-rationed, the problem is of vital interest to the entire nation. The suspension order on the sale of gasoline in the 17 eastern states and the District of Columbia lasted only a day and a half, but when the order was lifted at 12:01 a. m. December 21, B and C coupons in the area had been reduced in value from four to three gallons and the issuance of these books had been suspended. OPA said that when issuance is resumed a "new and tougher" policy will go into effect, with local ration boards instructed to hold issuance of extra rations to the "absolute minimum." Meanwhile a new drive has been launched against black market operations, with 800 investigators in the East Coast rationed area working to prevent illegal distribution. This means increased emphasis on strict enforcement of all gasoline rationing regulations and special attention given to suppliers of T or commercial vehicles. Gasoline dealers have been told that they will be held "strictly accountable" for violations.

The ODT asked all truck, bus and taxicab owners whose certificates of War Necessity do not provide sufficient mileage and fuel allotments to estimate their requirements carefully and apply for the minimum amount of fuel necessary for essential operations. Secretary Wickard called on farmers in the East to cooperate to the utmost in conserving fuels and to buy only enough for current needs. And Petroleum Administrator Ickes, to safeguard the Atlantic Seaboard's limited stocks, issued an order controlling the amounts of gasoline and fuel oils which may be withdrawn from East Coast refineries and terminal supply points.

**Fuel Oil**  
WBA has approved the barge, tugboat and towboat building program recommended by ODT, and construction will begin shortly on 500 wooden tank barges, 21 steel hull towboats and 100 tugboats, to enable an additional daily eastward barge movement of 50,000 barrels of residual fuel oil within five months and 100,000 barrels within ten months. Terminals will be built at Jacksonville and Panama City, Fla., and at Cairo, Ill. OPA has issued an amendment, permitting oil brought into the 30-state rationed area in the supply tanks of locomotives, boats, trucks or other motor vehicles to be consumed without a ration, as the use of this fuel does not deplete the supply of oil in the rationed area. Those home-owners who have exhausted their currently valid fuel oil rations can now use up to one-half their coupons for the next heating period, and office buildings, apartment houses and other commercial buildings which, because of lack of labor or materials, have been unable to convert heating equipment to coal, may use temporary fuel oil rations after the January 26 deadline. Due to the recent protracted spell of abnormally cold weather, the value of fuel oil coupons has been increased in the 13 rationed Middle Western states—Class I coupons (homeowners) valued at 11 gallons instead of 10, and Class II coupons (apartment houses, office building, etc.) valued at 110 gallons instead of 100—and consumers in the Eastern area may use their third period fuel oil coupons any time after December 28.

To encourage the use of fuel other than oil, electricity and gas, WPA announced that the production of fireplace grates will be permitted during the December 21-January 6 period, and extended for another year provisions permitting such construction as is necessary for the conversion or substitution of heating equipment. And this week the rationing regulations for new coal and oil heating stoves in the 30 rationed states were formally issued by OPA.

**The War Front**  
Secretary Hull, describing the assassination of Admiral Darlan as an "odious and cowardly act," said that the all-important consideration now is not to be "diverted for a moment from the supreme objective" of gaining control of the African continent and the Mediterranean. The battle, he said, is still at a crucial and critical stage, and Gen. Eisenhower and his associates need the fullest measure of unified support. Earlier, Secretary of War Stimson told a press conference that Allied forces on the offensive in Tunisia have a "fairly

good margin" of superiority over the Axis forces defending Tunis and Bizerte, and added that in the air our margin of destruction is holding at a rate of about two to one. Both sides are bringing reinforcements into Tunisia, but "our side is preparing for an offensive to take Tunis and Bizerte." The Axis has the advantage in the mounting size of their forces and the development of new bases.

Meanwhile, land activity has flared up in Tunisia, as Allied forces occupied a dominating position near Medjez-El-Bab. Allied fighters continued their sweeps and patrols over the forward areas, attacking Axis vehicles and destroying Axis planes.

In the South Pacific on Christmas Day, a flight of Army Flying Fortresses took off from the airfield at Guadalcanal to bomb Japanese shipping in the harbor of Rabaul, New Britain Island. They scored three direct hits on a large transport or cargo ship and several near hits close to three smaller cargo vessels. The day before Christmas, U. S. planes from Guadalcanal bombed and strafed the Japanese airfield and shore installations at Munda on New Georgia Island, downed 14 intercepting enemy planes and destroyed 10 more on the ground. All the U. S. planes returned undamaged.

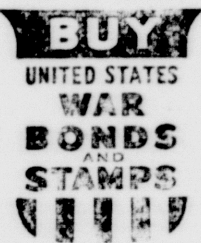
### Manpower

The government is preparing a program for the scientific training of civilian specialists so urgently needed in the war effort. The program is similar to that formulated by the Army and Navy for college-age men, but the WMC expects to use the facilities of more universities and colleges that the armed services will use.

More than 6,500 war production plants in which more than 6,000,000 men and women are at work have now been aided by the job instructor training program of the training-within-industry service. Better than 320,000 supervisors industrial foremen and crew chiefs have been certified as war-production job instructors and the announced goal of 325,000 "trainers" by the end of 1942 will be reached on schedule.

To combat rumors that negroes are not being inducted into the army in percentages comparable to their population, the OWI reported that they are not only being inducted in the same proportion as they are registered, but in 9 out of 14 southern states, inductions have exceeded that proportion. Although negroes constitute 9.8 percent of our total population (according to the last census), one out of every ten men inducted into the army as of October 31, 1942, was a negro.

As for voluntary enlistment, during the 1940-41 period negroes constituted better than 16 percent of the total number of volunteers entering the Army through selective service. The Director of Selective Service, in reporting to the President on the high percentage of negro volunteers said that in one particular state every cell made for negro selectees was filled over a period of several months by volunteers. Negro soldiers are now on active duty in almost all overseas theatres where American troops are stationed.



JANUARY 4, 1943

New Year's Day, 1943, marked the first anniversary of the formation of the United Nations. In his first anniversary of the formation of the United Nations. In his first press conference of the new year, President Roosevelt recalled the world situation that existed one year ago when 26 nations, bound together by the universal ideals of the Atlantic Charter, signed the United Nations declaration and thus created "the mightiest coalition in history." (Three other nations have since joined this coalition.)

Today the unity achieved by these 29 signatory powers is bearing rich fruit. The United Nations, said the President, are passing from the defensive to the offensive, ever conscious, however, of the supreme necessity of planning what is to come after, of carrying forward into peace the common effort which will have brought the victory in the war.

Our task on this New Year's day is three-fold, Mr. Roosevelt said—first, to crush completely the present "bandit assault" upon civilization; second, so to organize relations among nations that forces of barbarism can never again break loose; and third, to cooperate to the end "that mankind may enjoy in peace and in freedom the unprecedented blessings which divine providence has put within our reach."

Axis economic strength and weakness was outlined in a "beginning-of-1943" balance sheet issued by Milo Perkins, executive director of the Board of Economic Warfare. Germany, said Mr. Perkins, has passed her production peak but is still economically formidable, with little likelihood of economic collapse in Germany in 1943. Japan, however, is much stronger in raw material than she was a year ago, and except for a major weakness in shipping is now within reach of a powerful and entrenched economic position. The ability of the Axis powers to support defensive warfare is especially marked, he said, but as both economies are strained, inflicting bombing damage on Germany and attacking Japanese shipping will have immediate effects on these countries' war production.

### Production

As for U. S. war production, Chairman Nelson said that in 1943 this country expects to produce about twice as many arms as were

produced in 1942, spending better than \$90,000,000,000 for war, as compared to 1942's \$52,000,000,000. November armament production showed the greatest monthly gain since the U. S. began to rearm in the summer of 1940—four and one-third times more war material turned out than in the month before the Jap attack on Pearl Harbor. Mr. Nelson gave the box score of November war production (over October): air planes, up 19 per cent; ordnance, up 13 per cent; Army and Navy vessels, up 9 per cent; merchant vessels, up 16 per cent and other munitions, up 9 per cent.

Special attention has been given to the items most needed in the type of warfare now being waged in North Africa, with outstanding gains recorded in the output of single-engine pursuit planes, medium bombers, smaller transport planes, navy fighters, and in production of the self-propelled guns used in tank warfare.

Right now the U. S. is turning out enough rifle and machine gun ammunition each month to fire 83 rounds at each individual soldier in the Axis armies. In one year of war, production of small arms ammunition has increased 550 percent—and it is still going up.

Backing up our production of finished war material is our production of metals and minerals. A year-end report from the Bureau of Mines announces that in 1942 we produced more metals and minerals than in any year of our history. Estimated value of all mineral products was \$7,525,000,000—a record figure that tops the 1941 level by 10 percent.

### Rationing

Agriculture Secretary Wickard directed OPA to begin rationing about 200 canned, frozen and dried vegetables and fruits as soon as machinery could be set up. U. S. civilians will eat nearly one-third less of these foods in 1943 than they have been accustomed to eating, Wickard said, but their diets can still be well-balanced and healthful. Rationing in the U. S. does not mean sub-standard diets.

OPA said rationing would begin early in February, under the "point system. Supplies of goods to be rationed will be temporarily and briefly frozen on retailers' shelves and in distributors' and processors' warehouses, and before being issued a ration book consumers will have to declare whatever canned goods they have on hand so that these goods can be deducted from their allowances. Heavy penalties will be imposed for giving false information.

Under the point system, the housewife uses her stamps when she buys rationed foods from the storekeeper. The storekeeper uses the stamps when he buys from his supplier, and the supplier, in turn, uses the stamps to buy from his canner or from another supplier. All along the line, there is complete freedom of choice. And since the point values are the same in every store throughout the nation, the retailer's business in these rationed foods will be limited only by the point value of stamps he takes in from his customers. Thus, according to Elmer Davis, Director of the OWI, competition in the trade will be maintained, and a minimum of record keeping will be required of the storekeeper.

### Regulations in North Africa

A communique from the office of Gen. Giraud, French high commissioner, said no attempts to divide the French people in North Africa will be tolerated. The communique, explaining that steps had been taken to insure tranquility behind the fighting lines, said most persons had accepted the recent developments calmly but a small element had been trying to cause unrest. Secretary of State Hull said Gen. Giraud's leadership "will go far to assure the common victory with the restoration of French liberty everywhere," and Secretary of War Stimson said he was confident that Gen. Giraud would continue the splendid cooperation the French are now giving U. S. forces in North Africa.

President Roosevelt expects to confer soon with Gen. Charles De Gaulle, but has already discussed, with a mission from Gen. Giraud, the question of supplies for French troops. Elmer Davis and Milton Eisenhower of the Office of War Information told a press conference that unless substantial quantities of food and clothing arrive in North Africa before February 1, there will be serious trouble there. Much of the food earmarked for that area by

Lend-Lease has arrived, but more is needed.

Meanwhile, the U. S. is arming Gen. Giraud's French African army as fast as possible. Allied Commander-in-Chief Eisenhower said planes have already been delivered to Giraud's air force and more planes and tanks are on the way. Also French forces fighting with the Allied army are being reinforced and re-equipped. President Roosevelt said that inasmuch as the U. S. is attempting to get supplies to all the fighting forces of the United Nations, the crux of the North African supply situation is the question of shipping.

### The War Front

From the beginning of the North Africa operations to December 26, 277 enemy airplanes have been destroyed. Of these, 128 were brought down by the RAF, 102 by the U. S. Army Air Forces and 16 by anti-aircraft fire. Allied losses for the same period total 114—59 from the USAAF and 55 from the RAF.

Allied air activity in North Africa has taken five main courses: short range fighters and fighter bombers (mainly provided by the USAAF) carry out the daylight attacks and heavy night attacks, principally on Tunis and Bizert; RAF reconnaissance planes protect convoys and attack U-boats, and USAAF transport planes bring men and supplies into the forward areas.

In the Southwest Pacific area in 1942, 1,266 Japanese planes were destroyed or damaged, according to an allied forces announcement. This total includes 723 planes destroyed, 250 probably destroyed and 313 damaged. In comparison, the announcement said, allied plane losses in 1942 were small.

A large-scale poultry raiser is W. O. Gray, of Burkett, (Coleman county), who had 3,240 White Leghorn hens and pullets in his poultry yard. Included in this total were 650 hens, 850 pullets four months old, 1,150 three months old and 590 four weeks old. Last year Mr. Gray sold between \$5,000 and \$6,000 worth of eggs, and fed 10,000 pounds of mash per month during last winter.

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Coal Mine—January 8th; 1 P. M. to 3 P. M.  
LaCoste—January 11th and 12th; 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.  
Natalia—January 13th; 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
Devine—January 15th and 16th; 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
D'Hanis, January 18th; 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Respectfully,  
**JAMES R. DUNCAN,**  
Assessor and Collector of  
Taxes, Medina County.

**MAKING HOME IN NORFOLK**

Following their recent marriage Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wayne Mayes are now at home at 510 Colonial, in Norfolk, Va. The bride is the former Miss Edith Rose Mangold, daughter of Walter Mangold of San Antonio. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Carle of San Antonio and Mr. and Mrs. Val Mangold of Noonan.

The wedding ceremony was held in Norfolk December 17. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Mayes, of San Antonio.

Sabotage, forestalling and preventing it will be the keynote of a series of ten quarterly Police Conferences to be held by the FBI in January, February, and March. Dates and places of Conferences are: Caldwell, January 20; Georgetown, January 21; Fredericksburg, February 3; Harlingen, February 10; Edinburg, February 11; Waco, February 17; San Antonio, March 10; Brady, March 18; Carrizo Springs, March 19; Eagle Pass, March 25. All law enforcement officers are invited, including auxiliary police of all the agencies.

Congested mails, due to holiday rush, delayed many an anxiously awaited missive but sometimes it had its compensations when, as in the case of Mrs. Jack Hartung who Sunday received two letters in one mail from her husband, Master Sergeant Jack Hartung. Jack has been with his unit of Uncle Sam's wearers of khaki in England for some time and is faring all right and finds much pleasure in perusing the old home paper which is reaching him regularly.

Mrs. J. G. Barry and children have joined Lt. Barry in San Marcos and are located at 626 West Hopkins Avenue. Lt. Barry was recently made special services officer of the Navigation School in San Marcos. The Barrys have made their home in Hondo for many years and were an integral part of the town's social, civic and school life. Their many friends regret their leaving but extend best wishes for them in their new home.

Mrs. Virgil Patterson and little son, Curtis, and her brother, Milton Poehler, children and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Willie G. Poehler, are callers at this office yesterday, renewing for their father's subscription. Mrs. Patterson's husband has recently completed a course as a bombardier in the U. S. air service in California and she and their son are with her parents for the duration.

Lt. Jackie Schuehle has been transferred from Lamesa to the Waco Blackland Flying School. Jake and several of his fellow officers flew in for a few days hunt before the season closed and also visited his parents, Sheriff and Mrs. Chas. J. Schuehle. The party returned to Waco on Sunday with one deer and two turkeys.

**FOR SALE**—20 acre farm with large house—good well with windmill and tank and large barn—one-half mile from courthouse—\$4500.00—See the Hondo Land Co., Fletcher and Roberta O. Davis, at the Anvil Herald office, or phone 127.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Pope enjoyed a brief visit over New Year's from their son, Robert Glenn Pope, Seaman, first class, of the U. S. Coast Guard. Glenn was here from his station at Lake Charles, La., on 24-hours' leave.

Major and Mrs. E. P. Leeper are recent additions to our corps of new readers. Major Leeper is attached to the hospital at the AAF Navigation School and was a member of the medical profession at Dallas in civilian life.

Robert David Windrow is here from a San Antonio camp to spend about two weeks with his brothers and sisters, after which he will leave for Officer's Candidate Training School at Miami, Florida.

Mrs. Albert Cruze, of San Antonio, will leave Friday for Aberdeen, Washington, to join her husband who is in the Coast Guard. Mrs. Cruze was formerly Miss Anna Mae Saathoff of Hondo.

**FOR SALE**—Business lot 35 ft. front, near courthouse. \$1000.00. See Hondo Land Co.

**LA COSTE LEDGERETTES**

**The LaCoste Ledger.**

Staff Sergeant Martin J. Scherrer is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Phil A. Scherrer of the Sauz Community. He was inducted in the United States Army on April 8, 1941. After two weeks of recruit drilling at Dodd Field in San Antonio he was sent to Camp Wallace, Texas, for eight weeks of basic training. On June 23, 1941, he was transferred to Fort Bliss, Texas, and became a member of the 79th Coast Artillery (Anti-Aircraft), a new regiment, and was with this regiment until January 23, 1942, when he was ordered to the 601 C. A. (A. A.) which was being organized at Fort Bliss. In this regiment he was promoted to the rank of Corporal on February 3rd, then on April 2nd he was promoted to Sergeant and on the 3rd of June he received the rating of Staff Sergeant, which he holds at present. Being stationed at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, his duties are Chief of Maintenance of Ordnance and he says he likes his work very well and also likes his location, but would rather spend the winter in Texas than on the Delaware River.

After several weeks of anxious waiting, relatives and friends of Staff Sergeant Alex L. Biediger have received word that he landed safely somewhere in North Africa. He had been stationed in England since July. Last week his father received another letter stating that he left Africa and was somewhere at sea. At the present time his destination is unknown. Alex is the son of Adolph Biediger of Dunlay.

Arnold Reicherzer of Corpus Christi, son of Mrs. Katie Reicherzer of LaCoste, was inducted into the United States Army on December 22, and is at Dodd Field, San Antonio, at present. His brother, Private Charles Reicherzer, is still in Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Steinle of Dunlay had their Christmas present a day late but it was worth waiting for! On December 26, they received the first word from their son, Lieutenant Carl H. Steinle, since he reached North Africa. This letter was the first received since he wrote "from somewhere at sea" several weeks ago.

Carl See of Fort Bragg, North Carolina arrived last Wednesday to visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis See, who reside on the Jarrett Road near LaCoste, during the holidays. The Sees recently moved into their new home here from Corpus Christi. Carl is with the Paratroops stationed at Fort Bragg, and has a brother, Raymond See, in the service stationed in California, and a brother in law, Ed. Walsh, stationed in New York. His sister, Mrs. Ed Walsh, is living with her parents for the duration.

Naval Cadet John V. Parma left Wednesday morning after spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Parma, here. Johnny went to Dallas, where he will continue his training.

Andrew S. Keller, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Keller of Devine reported to the United States Naval Training Station at Great Lakes, Illinois, recently to begin his basic training to prepare him for duty aboard one of Uncle Sam's fighting warships.

Harold Trip, petty officer in the United States Coast Guard, left Monday evening for Charleston, South Carolina, after enjoying the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Trip, at Macdonia.

Sergeant Tony Lessing from Moore Field, Mission, Texas, is enjoying a holiday furlough with relatives and friends in Macdonia and San Antonio. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lessing of Macdonia.

After enjoying an eleven-day furlough with his mother and sister in San Antonio, Corporal Milton A. Haby departed Sunday morning, returning to Camp Beale, California. Milton is the son of Mrs. Lydia Haby.

Lieutenant Richard Schott greatly surprised his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Schott of Castroville, last Wednesday when he arrived home for a holiday visit with them. They knew nothing of his coming and even thought he was out of the States. He departed Saturday evening; his visit was brief but very pleasant. He had another surprise for his parents—he became first lieutenant on October 23rd, only three months after his graduation. He has been rated as bombardier and navigator and enjoys doing both jobs. At present he is stationed at West Palm Beach, Fla., but will leave again soon.

Ralph H. Conrad, fireman first-class in the United States Navy, was transferred from San Diego to San Francisco, California shortly before Christmas. He was given the rating of fireman first class recently at San Diego where he was fortunate to stay ten months, with the exception of one week when he was sent to Camp Ord, Monterey, California. Ralph is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Conrad of Devine.

Staff Sergeant Harry McKaig, who is a glider pilot, is now stationed in Stuttgart, Arkansas. Harry is the son of Mrs. Mayme Tripp of San Antonio.

Private Edgar "Wheatie" Hays of Pendleton Field, Oregon, reached home this week and will enjoy a 15-day furlough with his mother, Mrs. Louis Schott, and other relatives and friends in Costrovile.

Cost Guardsman Elton Tondre of LaPorte, Texas, spent the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. A. H. Tondre, and other relatives and friends at Castroville.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gross have received word from their son, Louis Gross, Jr., stating that he is in San Diego, California, taking his basic training for duty with Uncle Sam's Navy.

Louis Wetta and son George Wetta and grandson Jimmy Wetta of

San Antonio accompanied by their son and brother, Frank Wetta, Sea-2/C, who enlisted in the Coast Guard on September 4th, 1942 and now stationed at Iowa, Louisiana, visited Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Ahr here for several hours Saturday. On his way back to his station, he stopped over at Houston and spent Sunday with his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. George Muennink and Joe Mann of Hondo returned after spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Tschirhart. Earl Tschirhart returned home with them for a few days.

Mrs. Herman Warbach and son, John visited Mrs. Katie Reicherzer and daughter, Miss Meda, Sunday. Mrs. Charlie Reicherzer and daughter returned home with them after several days stay here with relatives.

Miss Hazel Jungman of San Antonio spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Jungman, here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Powell of Dallas and Judge and Mrs. Armin of LaGrange spent several days here with Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ahr during the holidays. Mr. Powell and Judge Armin, in company with A. H. Ahr, spent some time hunting below D'Hanis.

Miss Cecilia Droicourt was taken to Santa Rosa hospital in San Antonio Tuesday afternoon where she underwent an operation Wednesday.

Mrs. Robert Rihn, Rev. Roy Rihn, and Miss Doris Rihn visited with Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Steinle and Mrs. Claud Tondre at Dunlay last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hutzler and daughter of San Antonio spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Hutzler here and with relatives at the Sauz.

James Joseph, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Echtle was christened in St. Mary's Church December 20th. Sponsors were Mrs. Hilmen Tschirhart and Edward Bohl.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lamon and children and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Keller and family from LaPryor were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Keller and sons Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nester and daughter, Linda Lou, and little Martina Nester of D'Hanis spent Christmas day in the Henry Salzman home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Barley and son, Lonnie Vaughn, from Hebronville, Private Arnold Reicherzer of Dodd Field, Mrs. Arnold Reicherzer of Corpus Christi, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Reicherzer and daughters, Carolyn and Gail of Bay City, Mrs. Charles Reicherzer, a 4th daughter, Alice Ann of Rio Medina, Mrs. R. A. Biediger and family and Leo Reicherzer of LaCoste spent Christmas Day with Mrs. Katie Reicherzer and daughter, Miss Meda, here.

**CASTROVILLE SAILOR KILLED IN ACCIDENT AT ALICE**

Coxswain Alfred G. Weiblen of the United States Navy was killed in an accident at Alice, Texas, early Saturday, December 26, 1942, and was laid to rest at Castroville Tuesday afternoon.

This young sailor was the loving son of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Weiblen of Castroville. He was born on November 1, 1920, and was baptized in the Lutheran faith by Rev. W. Kralik. He spent his childhood in Castroville and attended school in Castroville and Lytle. His kind parents did not neglect the religious side of his education as he attended Sunday School at Zion's Lutheran Church. When he became of age for Confirmation, he received a thorough instruction from his pastor, Rev. K. Konzack, and was confirmed June 3, 1934.

In February, 1938, Alfred joined the United States Navy. He, together with his dear friend, Clement Tondre, left for San Diego, Calif., where they received three months of basic training. Then Alfred received a ten day furlough which he spent at home with his dear ones. After this furlough he was given sea duty, serving first on the U. S. S. Nevada and then on the U. S. S. San Francisco. In February, 1941, he was transferred to the Naval Air Station at Corpus Christi, Texas, where he served until his death.

Full particulars regarding the youth's death are not known to his parents as yet. The Corpus Christi Newspapers carried the following article:

"Alice, Texas—Alfred Gus Weiblen, 22 year old sailor, from the Naval Air Station at Corpus Christi, became the first 1942 traffic fatality within the city limits, when he was struck by a car here early Saturday. He was taken to a local hospital where he died a few hours after the accident. Highway Patrolman C. W. Brand and city policemen H. C. Ray and Stokes Miceheimer were hunting the driver of the car which struck the sailor. A Naval Air Station ambulance arrived Saturday morning for the victim's body."

Alfred leaves to mourn: his devoted parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Weiblen of Castroville; two sisters

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Mrs. Charles Lee of Avon Park, Florida, and Myrtle Marie Weiblen of Castroville; two brothers, Corporal Herbert G. Weiblen of Fort Sam Houston, and Arthur F. Weiblen of Castroville; one brother-in-law, Lt. Charles Lee; one sister-in-law, Mrs. Herbert Weiblen; his aged grandmother, Mr. Annie Weiblen, Castroville, and many other relatives and friends. A brother Harold Max Weiblen, preceded Alfred in death; he died August 15, 1933, at the age of only one day.

He reached the age of 22 years, one month and 25 days.

Funeral services were held Tuesday December 29, 1942, beginning at 2:30 p. m. at the Tondre Funeral Home, and continued in Zion's Lutheran Church. Interment was in the Lutheran Cemetery. Rev. A. H. Falkenberg, pastor, officiated. Pallbearers were Stanley and Sterley Jage, Alvin Santleben, Reinhart Bippert, John Reus, and Harley Tschirhart.

**BANDERA NEWS**

**The Bandera New Era**  
**From Bandera News-Era**  
**TARPLEY**

Mrs. Minnie Hankinson of San Antonio visited Mrs. Jim Glass last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Mummie and children of Hondo visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Geuea over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Benno Pankratz and Freddie Schmidt of Berghelm spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. A. A. Fritz.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gerdes of Ozone visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Wood during the holidays.

M. L. Hausler made a business trip to Mason last week.

Capt. and Mrs. D. M. O'Connell and children of Lovington, N. M. were at their ranch last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kuykendal and son of San Antonio and Mrs. F. D. Williams of Hondo spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Hicks.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Saathoff and daughters of San Antonio visited his mother, Mrs. M. L. Saathoff Sunday.

Mrs. R. N. Padgett returned to her home in San Antonio Sunday after spending several days with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Anderson and children of D'Hanis spent Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Geuea.

Annie Hohenberger of San Antonio visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hohenberger over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hicks and sons spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Leslie Wansloben and family in San Antonio.

Glen Padgett of Kelly Field spent Christmas day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Padgett.

Fred Mansfield and Misses Eva and Doris Mansfield of San Antonio visited Mr. and Mrs. Lee Mansfield Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Love and son of Menard visited Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Hicks Monday.

Douglas Jay of San Antonio visited his mother, Mrs. Lee Cravey Sunday.

Jo Nell Geuea of Hondo is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Geuea.

Sylvester Mazurek is in the Medina hospital in Hondo with an infected hand.

Miss Ruby Faye Hicks of Howard Payne College is spending the holidays with her father, D. B. Hicks.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Taylor of New

Braunfels are visiting Mrs. Taylor's sister, Mrs. G. T. Sandigge and family.

Warren Allen and Leslie Murrill Ferrill of San Antonio visited D. A. Hicks Jr. Tuesday.

Misses Geraldine and Allene Mazurek of San Antonio visited home-folks Christmas.

D. A. Hicks Jr. visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Love at Vanderpool Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. S. R. Coffey of Marathon spent Christmas with her son, M. B. Padgett and family.

**ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW**

**The Carrizo Springs Javelin. TAYLOR-HANKENSON WEDDING**

Mrs. Belle Taylor, a teacher in the City Schools for the past sixteen years, and Mr. J. R. Hankenson, of Hondo, were married on Wednesday afternoon of last week at the bride's home in Carrizo Springs.

The happy couple left immediately after the ceremony, which was said by Rev. W. H. Marshall, of San Antonio. They plan to return here on New Year's Day.

It is a matter of great satisfaction to Mrs. Hankenson's many friends here, and especially to her pupils, that she will continue to teach here throughout the present year.

Mr. Hankenson is in the employ of the district office of the Magnolia Petroleum Company and has traveled through here for several years.

**From the Uvalde Leader-News**

Mrs. Louis Oefinger of Hondo was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Nettie Smith for the Christmas holidays.

A-C Charles Behrens of Hondo Navigation School spent the holidays in Uvalde.

Elmer Martin spent Christmas in Hondo as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Muennink.

Mrs. John Rosenow returned home, Monday from Sinton where she had spent the Christmas holidays with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Love Jr.

Mrs. Louis Haby returned home from the hospital Tuesday. She is improved.

Robert Haby was in from Hondo for Christmas Eve but had to return to work Friday morning. He was accompanied to Hondo by Mrs. Haby who will spend the week there with him.

Charles Hayes, who is stationed at Hondo, spent Christmas here with Mrs. Hayes and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Umlang.

Guests Christmas Day of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Moore included Mr. and Mrs. Earl Grisham of Hondo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Alsop from the Winn Ranch on Indian Creek and children, Ella of Hondo, and Bill of Camp Wood, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnson and daughter, Jeanette of Camp Wood, were the guests of Mrs. J. E. Wells for Christmas.

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ISABELL KARM, LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE

News and advertising copy for this column for the week's issue should be submitted to Miss Karm or mailed direct to us at Hondo not later than Tuesday night of each week. Miss Karm is authorized to collect and receipt for day business for this paper.

CASTROVILLE, TEXAS TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1943

### C. Y. O. MEETS

The C. Y. O. of the St. Louis Parish, Castroville, Texas, met Dec. 29, 1942, at 8:30 in the St. Louis parish hall. Meeting was opened with prayer by our Rev. Dean J. Lenzen. Howard Mechler was appointed as Secretary.

A letter was read by the President, Naomi Steinle, which was received from Sgt. Martin Scherrer. C. Y. O. members for the nice Christmas card which he received.

Letters were written to the C. Y. O. boys who are in the service.

Meeting was closed with prayer and everyone departed for home.

Our next meeting will be held on February 10, 1943.

Reporter.

### ZION'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, January 10, 1943

10:00 A. M. Sunday school and Bible classes. William Santleben Jr., Supt.

11:00 A. M. German divine service.

Let us dedicate our lives to the service of Jesus for the upbuilding of His church here on earth in 1943. We cordially invite you to worship with us and give God the first place in your lives.

The Church with a welcome.

A. H. FALKENBERG, Pastor.

## D'Hanis Doings

A round-up of Local Personal and Business Items gathered weekly by our regular Correspondent

### Mrs. Amos Finger

to whom all items intended for this column should be handed no later than Wednesday noon of each week. Mrs. Finger is authorized to collect and receipt for money due this paper.

D'HANIS, TEXAS, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1943

### KENO PARTY AT THE PARISH HALL SUNDAY AFTERNOON

January 10, at 3 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Reinhart Jr. and the Christmas holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Reinhart, before returning to College Station.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Finger and daughters of Skidmore spent several days last week in the L. J. Finger home.

Sgt. Hilmar J. Koch returned to Camp Claiborne, La., the day after Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rohrbach children of San Antonio were today guests of Mrs. Lina Langsdorf and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rohrbach.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Zerr of San Antonio spent the week-end in the ill Turner home. Miss Sarah Zerr returned to the city with Mrs. Ed S. Koch has gone to Victoria, where she is the guest of relatives.

Joe Martin Zinsmeyer, air corps mechanic at the Hondo Navigation school, has been promoted to a corporal.

### KOCH-BIRY NUPTIALS

In a beautiful ceremony in Holy Cross Catholic Church, on Tuesday, December 29, 1942, at 10 o'clock in the morning, Miss Barbara Elaine Biry, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Biry, became the bride of Mr. William Koch of Mobile, Ala., of Mr. Ed S. Koch of D'Hanis.

Reverend J. J. Hanacek, pastor, officiated and read the Nuptial High Mass.

The bride's attendants were her sister, Miss Vivian Biry, maid of honor, and Miss Mathilda Kimmerly, bridesmaid. They were gowned alike in dresses with bodices of taffeta and long-length skirts of net. Miss Biry in pastel blue with a velvet head

piece of fuchsia ribbon. Miss Kimmerly's frock was pink and her head dress was blue. They carried bouquets of pink gladioli.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was lovely in a wedding gown of white tulle, the tiered skirt covered with a full layer of white net. The fitted bodice with its short sleeves had a sweetheart neckline which framed her only ornament, a diamond lavaliere belonging to her mother. Her finger-tip veil was held in place in a halo effect. She carried a pearl rosary and a white prayer book topped with gardenias. Her elbow-length mittens were also of net.

Poinsettias and white candytuft in vases and baskets adorned the main aisle and the sanctuary. Here the bride was met by the bridegroom and his brother, Edward Koch, who served as best man for his brother, Joe Henry Biry, brother of the bride, was bridegroomsman.

Mrs. M. A. Zinsmeyer at the pipe organ played the liturgical wedding marches as well as the accompaniment for the choir. The "Ave Maria" was sung at the offertory.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. During the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Koch left for Mobile, Ala., where they will make their home. The bride is a graduate of D'Hanis High School. Mr. Koch is a graduate of St. Anthony's School and now holds a foreman's position in civilian defense work as an airplane engine mechanic.

Out-of-town relatives at the reception were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bendola and daughter of Dunlay. Mr. and Mrs. Guenther Koch and children. Mr. and Mrs. George Koch and children of Hondo; Mr. Herbert Koch, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Koch and son, and Mrs. Charles Rohrbach of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bader and Mr. Fred Biry of Devine.

but is slowly regaining her health.

Mrs. Roy Beach who has been nursing in San Antonio and Dallas is spending the holidays with her family. Mrs. C. J. Oefinger is spending the week with them.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Baker Sr. and son, Welden, are spending the holidays with her parents in Ft. Worth.

Mr. Otto Kollar and bride arrived from San Antonio to be with Mr. and Mrs. Gilson for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Wimberly are expecting a new baby at their farm.

Miss Ethel Grunewald enjoyed a few days with homefolks.

James W. McAnelly and brother, John and G. C. Jr., and sisters Anna Lee were all with their parents for the Yuletide.

Miss Amy Melton of Seguin arrived for a visit with home folks.

Miss Betty Lou Bohmfalk of Miranda City has been visiting her aunt Mrs. W. B. Ward.

Mrs. Helen Michon and children spent Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Helligman, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Richter spent the holidays at the Baylor ranch out from Cotulla. Mrs. Richter returned to Beeville on Monday.

Every now and then someone brings an article to the Tribune office and insists that it be placed on the front page, "where everybody will read it." Folks, listen: Everything in The Tribune is read, whether it is printed on the first or last page. We'd wager a dime to a doughnut that if we inserted a few lines in the southwest corner of the last page offering to swap dollars for nickels our office would be swamped before the ink on the paper was dry. Newspaper folks can't put everything on the front page they are asked to put there. If they did, there would be no last page nor even middle pages.—Tom Holmes in the Trenton Tribune.

### NEWS NOTES FROM THE NAVIGATION SCHOOL

Continued from First Page

writing room. There is a snack bar and checking section. Game equipment and a nickelodeon for informal dancing have been moved upstairs. Among the additional features, when the program is completed, will be a darkroom for the use of camera fans.

### INTER-SQUADRON BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT TO BE STARTED

The indoor basketball court at Hondo Army Air Field's enlisted men's Service club was put into use for the first time this week as squadron practice was begun in preparation for a schedule of inter-squadron cage competition starting next week.

Three-tilt programs probably will be played two nights a week.

The practice schedule follows: 362nd squadron and 847th, 10 to 10:50 a. m.; 845th and 846th, 11 to 11:50; 844th and 843rd, 12 to 12:50 p. m.; 842nd and 841st, 1 to 1:15; 840th and 839th, 2 to 2:50; 838th and 837th, 3 to 3:15; 836th and 841st, 4 to 4:50. From 5:30 to 7:30 is the time designated for the post team.

Next week has been set tentatively for a post boxing tournament to select a team to enter the district Golden Gloves event at San Antonio.

Plans are taking shape for a wrestling tournament.

### BAND VACANCIES OPEN

Vacancies exist in the 324th AAF band, Hondo Army Air Field, for qualified clarinet, oboe or bassoon players. Warrant Officer Harold Mueller, leader, announced.

Any qualified service men interested should contact Mr. Mueller, band building, phone 525.

### NAVIGATION SHORTCOURSE PROPOSED FOR OFFICERS

A class for officer personnel at Hondo Army Air Field for a short-course in navigation, star identification, sun and star observation and the use of the telescope is proposed.

The course would run from six to ten weeks and sessions would last one to two hours one night a week. Enrollment and attendance would be on a voluntary basis.

### PROMOTIONS ANNOUNCED

A number of promotions for enlisted men were announced this week at Hondo Army Air Field.

They include: 842nd Navigation Training Squadron Corporal to sergeant—W. F. Sweet, La Crosse, Wis.; R. L. Hall, Sheffield, Ala.

Private to corporal—C. M. Tuzolino, Solvay, N. Y.; J. B. Schlatter, Haspsburg, Md.; J. F. Fields, Cashion, Okla.; C. W. Lay, Maplewood, Mo.; J. C. Herrera, Denver, Colo.; W. L. Swenson, Mason City, Iowa; C. M. Blomer, Evansville, Ind.; W. M. Phillips, Oklahoma City, Okla.; J. O. Bassett, Devine, Texas; F. E. Turner, Glendale, Calif.; T. F. Merriman, Muskogee, Okla.; E. B. Schomberg, Devine, Texas; R. F. Langhoff, New Orleans, La.; L. W. Sample, Marshall, Okla.; J. L. Robinson, Medford, Ore.; R. E. McCoach, Red Bank, N. J.; D. A. Winchell, Chicago, Ill.; J. F. Weidig, Monroe, Mich.; R. O. Jensen, Lakeview, Iowa; A. N. Goodman, Springfield, Mass.; E. B. Schomberg, Devine, Texas; H. Marshall, Marshall, Ark.; W. J. McGowan, Brownfield, Texas.

917th Guard Squadron Corporal to sergeant—E. T. Clark, Thomsville, Ga.; D. F. Fitzpatrick, Du Bois, Pa.; R. E. Carlisted, Indianapolis, Ind.

Private to corporal—R. L. Morley, Patoka, Ill.; E. L. Hawpe, Kanoraday, Kan.; D. E. Cummings, Goodrich, Mich.; J. L. Araiza, Brownsville, Texas; J. F. Kutcheh, Pulaski, Wis.; L. O. Thompson, Detroit, Mich.

338th Navigation Training Squadron Corporal to sergeant—L. Acuff, Tinsville, Ind.; J. Heykoop, Muskegon, Mich.; J. E. Minnick, Bainbridge, Ind.; J. Cohen, Brooklyn, N. Y.; E. J. Goodin, Elizabethtown, Ky.; R. J. Connor, Cleveland, Ohio; V. K. G. Whitehouse, Ohio.

84th Navigation Training Squadron Corporal to sergeant—J. Driscoll, Cambridge, Mass.; W. W. Wright, St. Louis, Mo.; A. L. Dinkel, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Private to corporal—J. W. Griffith, West Pawlet, Vt.; M. B. Files, Jicksburg, Ark.; J. F. Hodler, Center Town, Mo.; L. A. Couch, Dallas, Texas; E. D. Fonken, Happy, Texas; W. A. Tague, Plainfield, Ind.; R. M. Lines, Marion, Ind.; F. I. Willett, Ocean Beach, Calif.

346th Navigation Training Squadron Sergeant to staff sergeant—David H. Kime, Montrose, Mich.

Corporal to sergeant—Merlin Pope, Austell, Ga.; Ray L. Ksobicch, West Allis, Wis.; Edward G. Malzahn, Utica, Mich.; Howard J. Stanley, Tacoma, Wash.; Joseph E. Fitzpatrick, Fond Du Lac, Wis.; Howard T. Wixon, Pontiac, Mich.; Chester L. Koski, Ashland, Wis.; John J. Awishes, Detroit, Mich.

Privates to corporal—Kenneth W. Richman, Upper Darby, Pa.; Bill Sharp, Ponca City, Okla.; Ervin C. Zahn, Matton, Wis.; Hans W. Hansen, Cable, Wis.; Thomas E. Schultz, Minneapolis, Minn.; Raymond F. Venne, St. Paul, Minn.; Cecil C. Hendrix, Dallas, Texas; Carlo Attianesi, Newark, N. J.; Alan H. Nicholson, Allegany, N. Y.; Russell V. Dunnam, Grayling, Mich.; Clarence R. Cook, Lawrenceville, Ill.; Andrew L. Polley, Hart, Mich.; Arthur G. Renaud, Harlington, Texas; Frederick T. Smith, San Antonio, Texas; S. T. Warren, Rule, Texas; Paul T. Walton, Bellington, Wash.; James T. West, Fort Worth, Texas.

847th Navigation Training Squadron Sergeant to staff sergeant—Clyde

### POST CHAPLAIN'S NOTES

By First Lt. George W. Schardt

Perhaps you saw the cartoon the other day in one of the San Antonio papers. The sketch showed two men walking down the street, one of them a fat, important somebody, the other slender and seemingly undernourished with a serious countenance.

The first of these was typical of the many today who have lived a life of ease and plenty. Said he, "This is getting terrible. I walked four blocks to catch the bus. This gas rationing sure is making things difficult for people. Yes, with the rationing of sugar, coffee, canned goods, etc. I wonder what they expect people to live on." And then he asked, "By the way, what did you say your name was?"

Quick as a flash, the other answered, "Rickenbacker." That was all. No arguments or reproof. But his face was sad.

Here was Rickenbacker, the man who said, "We organized a prayer club out there on our rubber boat somewhere in the Pacific. I wouldn't believe it if I hadn't seen it, neither would anyone else except for the few witnesses, but when we were completely out of food a sea gull landed on my head. We had meat to eat. The intestines we used to catch fish until we were rescued."

Something is happening today. There are still those who in spite of everything grumble and complain about minor inconveniences, not realizing that the greatest sacrifice here at home cannot compare with the hardships of our men in battle zones. On the other hand, there are many who are beginning to bow their heads solemnly when they sit down to a table laden with good things, thanking God and praying that He might provide for the many who are suffering today.

Let us make this year of 1943 a "prayer year" and it will be a victorious year with God on our side.



C. Folks, Covington, Va.; Harold K. Hoaglin, Wautoma, Wis.

Corporal to sergeant—Rudolph H. Fenske, Judsonia, Ark.; Austin L. Chennault, Ferry, Ark.

Private to corporal—Alfred J. Greenfield, Dallas, Texas; Alexander F. Romero, Los Angeles, Calif.; Fred Neruda, Crockett, Texas.

843rd Navigation Training Squadron Sergeant to staff sergeant—James D. Kendall, Mt. Washington, Ohio.

Corporal to sergeant—John P. Fogarty, Abilene, Texas; Clifford E. Edwards, Battle Creek, Mich.; John G. Martin, Castleberry, Ala.

Private to corporal—Paul B. Clark, Wagoner, Okla.; Robert J. Fitzgerald, DeKalb, Ill.; Joseph M. Zinsmeyer, D'Hanis, Texas; Homer T. Scallion, Little Rock, Ark.; Richard H. Kelly, Ionia, Mich.

### PARTY HELD BY PERSONNEL OF POST PRINTING OFFICE

Personnel of the post printing office attended a New Year's dinner Saturday night at the Carta Blanca restaurant in San Antonio.

Approximately 25 members of the office and their guests attended. Dancing and a floor show made up the evening's entertainment.

### AAF ENTERTAINMENT GROUP TO SHOW AT FORT HOUSTON

Entertainment staff of special services department at Hondo Army Air Field will present a program for the 95th Division at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas, Thursday night, Jan. 21, at 8 p. m.

### SAN ANTONIO SERGEANT WINS SERVICE CITATION

T/Sgt. William S. Ricks, Jr., squadron inspector for the 843rd Navigation Training squadron, was cited for general excellence of service and given honorary membership in the new year's first navigation class during graduation exercises held Thursday, Jan. 7, at the world's largest navigation school here.

This distinction traditionally is bestowed on the outstanding enlisted man of some training squadron by the retiring cadet colonel of each class. The certificate of citation bears the phrase, "for outstanding service in helping to keep us flying."

Sgt. Ricks, 24, son of William S. Ricks, Sr., San Antonio, Texas, was graduated from San Jacinto high school in Houston in 1936. His wife lives at 3916 Byron street, Houston, Texas. In civilian life he was a construction foreman.

Sgt. Ricks enlisted in the Army Nov. 19, 1940, was graduated from an Air Forces crew chief school at Kelly Field Sept. 17, 1941, and was transferred to the Hondo AAF Navigation School June 22, 1942. He was promoted to his present rank last Dec. 1.

### NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATIONS HELD FOR OFFICERS, MEN

New Year's celebrations kept the Hondo Army Air Field orchestra busy.

The orchestra, whose leader is Cpl. Jim D. Cockrell, furnished music for a New Year's eve dance and watch party at the Officers' club Thursday night.

Two nights later the orchestra played for a USO-sponsored dance for enlisted men of the air field at Hondo high school gymnasium. The next of the bi-monthly dances by the Hondo USO chapter is scheduled for Jan. 16.

Enlisted men had their New Year's eve dance at the Service club, with

music provided by the Special Services department orchestra. At midnight a free movie, "George Washington Slept Here," featuring Jack Benny, was given at the post theater.

Air Forces men were invited to attend watch parties held by churches in Hondo.

New Year's day was not a holiday at the post, and work actively continued as usual.

### PROGRAM ANNOUNCED FOR SUNDAY BAND CONCERT

Weekly concerts of the 324th AAF band at Hondo Army Air Field will be resumed Sunday at 4 p. m. at the enlisted men's Service club, Mr. Harold Mueller, warrant officer and leader, announced today.

Soloists will be featured from time to time on the programs. Pfc. Larkins Porter will appear Sunday in a xylophone solo number, "Piggly Wiggly" (Edward Barroll).

Program for the concert will include:

March, "Sabre and Spurs," (John Philip Sousa); overture, "The Barber of Seville," (G. Rossini); "Indian Love Call" from "Rose Marie," (Rudolph Friml); symphonic variations, "Yankee Doodle," (Newell Long); march, "R. A. F.," (Walford Davies); "Deserted Ballroom" and "Pavanne," (Morton Gould); "El Relicario," (Jose Padilla); Army Air Corps march, and the national anthem.

The 37 members of the band are: Assistant leader—T/Sgt. M. B. Salmund.

Flute section—Sgt. Nat F. White, Pvt. Clyde M. Knox.

Clarinet section—Sgt. Arthur V. Wolfe, Cpl. Sidd Kramer, Pfc. Kenneth W. Bailes, Pfc. Harry E. Gaines, Pvt. Roy B. Pierce.

Saxophone section—Alto, Pfc. James L. Shewell; tenor, Cpl. Smith H. Sutley; baritone, Pfc. Sheldon M. Davis.

Cornet section—Sgt. Joseph Goodman, Sgt. George H. Ewing, Cpl. Jim D. Cockrell, Cpl. Julian M. Hoyle, Pfc. Herndon S. Howard, Pfc. Hiram M. Friend, Pvt. Roger K. Henner.

French horn section—Sgt. Robert E. Backlew, S/Sgt. Edward Cole, Pfc. Edward L. Locke, Pvt. Thomas Droegkamp.

Baritone horn section—T/Sgt. Mahlon B. Salmund, Sgt. Jack C. Coleman.

Bass horn section—Cpl. Dewey L. Orell, Cpl. James H. Nelson, Jr., Pfc. Jethro D. Clift, Pvt. Norman C. Peterson.

Percussion section—Sgt. Glen E. Wilson, Cpl. Joe W. Hartmann, Pfc. Larkins L. Porter, Pvt. John E. Wing.

Trombone section—Sgt. James Van Laningham, Pfc. Jack Shallat, Pfc. Robert C. Lamm, Pvt. Shelby B. Armstrong, Jr., Pfc. Robert T. Gaines.

### HONDO AAF BASKETEERS WIN THREE OUT OF FOUR

Chalking up their second straight victory, Hondo Army Air Field's enlisted basketballers noosed out a powerful Brooks Field quintet, 35 to 33, Thursday night in the Hondo high school gymnasium.

Brooks led Hondo all the way up to the last 30 seconds of the game, when the locals found the range and began hitting the basket to overhaul the visitors. A field goal fired in the last 10 seconds put Hondo over the hump.

Pvt. J. W. Hodson, 846th Navigation Training squadron, copped scoring honors, registering 14 points, while Pvt. R. L. Thomas, 841st, was runner up with 9 points. Brooks led the half, 17 to 13.

While the enlisted men triumphed the Hondo officers team, playing its initial tilt, dropped a 24 to 22 verdict to the Brooks officers in the other half of the twin bill offering fans a second photo-finish battle.

Brooks, lagging 18 to 12 at the half, rallied in the last two minutes of play to win the decision. Second Lt. John B. Mahany paced the Hondo men, tallying 6 points, but Brooks' Lt. Pace rang up 10 to star.

However, the Hondo officers redeemed themselves by driving to a 48 to 43 victory in a hard-fought battle with the Midland Army Bombardier School five Monday night on the Hondo field enlisted men's Service club court.

It was a scrap from start to finish, but the navigation school cagers maintained a slight lead most of the route. Both were dangerous on the offensive, but the Hondo men depended on a tighter defense for the difference. Midland threatened throughout to overcome this difference with accurate long-range bombing of the hoop.

Hondo, sparked by speedy 2nd Lt. Marion R. Carter, who scored 20 points, displayed smooth attack teamwork.

Lieutenant Mahany was runner-up for individual scoring honors with 10 points.

Hondo's 324th AAF band performed for the large crowd between quarters and during rest periods.

A full schedule was booked for this week for the navigation basketballers. Both squads traveled to Fort Sam Houston Tuesday night, and on Thursday night met opposing quintets from Duncan field, on the Hondo Service club court. They were scheduled to enter a tournament for enlisted men and officers' teams of the San Antonio area, to be held in the YMCA gymnasium in San Antonio, starting Friday. The post team plays its first game Friday, but the officers do not play until next week. Many former notables of the court will be seen in action during the tourney.

Second Lt. Philip C. Limbacher is coach of the post team, while 2nd Lt. Sidney S. Levenson is the officers' mentor. Second Lt. Bennie W. Rundell, post physical training director, played half of the Monday night game.

### SQUADRON NOTES

From The Navigation School

336th Navigation Training Squadron Pvt. Allen Ray announces his marriage in Dallas on New Year's eve. On furlough; Pfc. W. F. Mason, visiting his family in Mendon, N. Y.; Pfc. W. J. Maguire, spending 15 days in Medford, Mass.; Pvt. C. H. Reed Jr., visiting his wife in Tampa, Fla.

341st Navigation Training Squadron S/Sgt. L. F. Vanlandingham, G. veston, Texas, announces the birth of a daughter, Jan. 3.

Pvt. Robert C. Murphy has granted an emergency furlough to attend the funeral services of his father in Milwaukee, Wis.

842nd Navigation Training Squadron Married: S. Sgt. Lloyd R. Halderman to Miss Virginia Mae Rowan on Christmas day in the Episcopal church at Lancaster, Ohio.

On furlough: S/Sgt. Irwin Kluge, Houston, Texas; S/Sgt. Al E. Hantington, San Antonio, Tex.; Cpl. Ciro Tuzzolino, Solvay, N. Y.; Cpl. Clarence Lay, St. Louis, Mo.; Pvt. Daniel Ringle, Ray, Ariz.; Pvt. Hubert K. Purser, Alport, Miss.

847th Navigation Training Squadron On furlough: Sgt. Frank M. Kilar, Stanford, Conn.; Cpl. Joseph DeLauro, Buffalo, N. Y.; Pvt. Byron G. Parker, Lubbock, Texas.

369th Base Headquarters Squadron Current head man of the 369th, Pvt. Harold R. Arnold, who recently made a cash purchase of \$1,000 war bonds.

On furlough: S/Sgt. Miller Henry, Rising Star, Texas; S. Sgt. Ralph F. Summitt, Columbus, Miss.; Cpl. Donald F. Alexander, Alhambra, Calif.; Cpl. Eugene L. Rayman, Story City, Iowa; Cpl. John F. Tatum, Northfield, N. J.; Pfc. Marshall Davis, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Pfc. H. A. Barden, Des Moines, Iowa; Pfc. Edwin L. Smith, East Liverpool, Ohio; Pvt. Vernon J. Casey, New York, N. J.; Pvt. Robert Tenn, Kirkwood, Mo.; Pvt. Louis McGuire, Astoria, N. Y.; Pvt. Muscio, Newark, N. J.; Pvt. H. D. Riser, Kinards, S. C.; Pvt. J. Pimentel, Cucamonga, Calif.

### AT THE THEATRES

The Raye FRI-SAT.—"Joan of Ozark," a mor, song and espionage. Players: Judy Canova, Joe E. Brown, Ed Foy Jr., Jerome Cowan, Anne J. freys and others.

SUN-MON.—"Springtime in the Rockies," musical filmed in Technicolor. Players: Betty Grable, Payne, Cesar Romero, Carmen Miranda, Charlotte Greenwood, Edna Everett Horton, and Harry James and his orchestra.

TUES.-WED.-THURS.—"Silk Queen," period melodrama. Players: George Brent, Phyllis Lane, Bro Cabot, Lynne Overman, Eugene Plette, Eleanor Stewart, Janet Beecher and Guinn Williams.

The Park FRI-SAT.—"Romance on the Range," a good slice of Western. Players: Roy Rogers, George "Gabby" Hayes, Sally Payne, Lili Hayes, Roy Bancroft, Sons of Pioneers, and others.

SUN-MON.—"Lucky Legs," comedy-drama. Players: Jinx Falkenberg, Kay Harris, Elizabeth Patterson, Russell Hayden, William Wright and others.

TUES.-WED.—"Rhythm Parade" floor show on film. Players: Chandler, Cliff Nazarro, Gale St. Robert Lowery, Mills Brothers, Cady Candido and Ted Fiorito and his orchestra.

THURS.—"The Remarkable Andrew," drama. Players: William Holden, Ellen Drew, Brian Donlevy, Rod Cameron, Richard Webb, Spencer Charters.

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